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S. AFRICA IN LEAD BY 601 RUNS

DREARY BATTING IN FIFTH TEST

DURBAN, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—Having scored 387 runs for the loss of six wickets at the tea interval to-day, South Africa is now leading by 601 runs against the M. C. C. in the fifth and final Test match.

Interest in the match is diminishing and only 400 spectators were present this morning. There was slight overnight rain but the wicket showed no signs of crumbling.

Nourse and Viljoen resumed batting and at 242 Nourse skied a rising ball from Farnes and was taken at short-leg by Leonard Hatton. He made 52.

Melville, who was limping from a strained leg, joined Viljoen who was aggressive and hit 10 runs in an over from Wright. At lunch the score was 292. South Africa had added 85 runs in 105 minutes this morning.

Batting was dreary on resumption and the 300 was hoisted after 366 minutes. At 74, Viljoen chopped a ball from Perks onto his wicket. (346-5-74). Viljoen hit seven fours and was at the crease for 183 minutes. Dalton in a lively knock for 21, hit a six and three fours. At tea, Melville was not out with 68 to his credit while Grieverson had not yet opened his account.

Scores:—
South Africa—1st innings 530.
M.C.C.—1st innings 316.

S. AFRICA—2ND INNS.

Van Der Byl, c Paynter 97
Mitchell, hit wkt. b Verity 89
Rowan, c Edrich, b Verity 0
Nourse, c Buttner, b Farnes 25
Viljoen, b Perks 74
Melville, not out 69
Dalton, c and b Wright 21
Grieverson, not out 0

Total (for 5 wks.) 387

Fire Aboard 30,000-Ton French Ship

BIG EXPLOSION PREVENTED

PARIS, Mar. 9 (T.Ocean).—Fire broke out last night on board the 30,000-ton liner Pasteur, belonging to the French South Atlantic Company, which is in the course of construction at Saint Nazaire, on the estuary of the Loire, and was to have been put into service next June.

By a curious coincidence the Pasteur is destined to replace the liner Atlantique belonging to the same company which was totally destroyed by fire some years ago off Le Havre during a trial trip prior to her maiden voyage.

The fire on the Pasteur broke out in one of the ship's funnels which was enveloped by scaffolding and spread with great rapidity, threatening fuel tanks full of crude oil.

Thanks to the energetic efforts of the fire brigade, an explosion which would have had incalculable consequences was prevented, but some hours elapsed before the fire could be extinguished. Damage is stated to be extensive.

THE DOLLAR

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London Silver Market
From Our Own Correspondent

London, Mar. 9.
London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 for Spot and up 1/16 for Forward as follows:—
Mar. 8 Mar. 9
Spot 20-9/16 20-1/2
Forward 19-7/8 19-15/16

LAUREL & HARDY "BLOCK-HEADS" COMPETITION

The "Hongkong Daily Press" has pleasure in announcing another competition, to be known as the Laurel and Hardy "Block-Heads" competition, which differs entirely from those formerly held. Full details will be published in these columns to-day. The contest will begin to-day and continue until next Thursday, and the senders of the first ten correct solutions received by the Competition Editor at the offices of this paper, 319 Marina House, 15-19 Queen's Road Central, by noon on Thursday, March 16, will be given a pair of tickets to see the M.-G.-M. production Laurel and Hardy in "Block-Heads" at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

IMMEDIATE BLOCKADE ORDERED BY GEN. FRANCO

BURGOS, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—Immediate blockade of the Mediterranean coast still controlled by the Republicans, has been ordered by Gen. Franco. Ships are warned not to enter the coast forty miles west of Almeria and thirty miles west of Valencia.

Nationalist submarines are ordered to sink any vessel, irrespective of the colours they are flying, if they enter the three-mile limit.

It is reported that a French steamer has been seized by Nationalist warships and taken to a Nationalist port.

KING'S MESSAGE TO POPE

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—The King has sent a telegram to Pope Pius XII congratulating him on his election and expressing his warmest good wishes. The King has appointed the Duke of Norfolk as his special ambassador and representative at the Pope's coronation on Sunday.

EMANCIPATION FOR CHINA'S WOMEN: STRIKING APPEAL BY MADAME CHIANG

CHUNGKING, March 9 (Central).—"Until China is emancipated, there can be no true emancipation for the Chinese women," declared Madame Chiang Kai-shek, the First Lady of China, in a stirring speech at the mass meeting sponsored by all women bodies in Chungking yesterday in celebration of Women's Day.

"With China in the throes of alien aggression and 450,000,000 Chinese in danger of being enslaved, how can there be emancipation for the Chinese women?" Madame Chiang asked.

Under present circumstances the movement for women emancipation in China, Madame Chiang emphasized, should not end with the emancipation of women only, but should be supplemented with efforts for national emancipation. She urged all Chinese women to bear their responsibility in national reconstruction and armed resistance and exert their best efforts to gain freedom and equality for the whole nation and to raise China's international position. She advised them to do these important tasks with an energetic and enterprising spirit, strong organization and careful planning.

WARTIME WORK URGED

Madame Chiang suggested many kinds of wartime work which all Chinese women may undertake as a part of their duties to the country at this emergency time. Among other things they may comfort and help the families of soldiers killed in action or fighting at the front, promote social education, encourage production and

"STABILITY OF CHINESE DOLLAR GIVEN STILL STRONGER BASIS," DECLARES MR. T. V. SOONG



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JAPANESE ADVANCE IS HARASSED

ICHANG, Mar. 9 (Central).—The Chinese are harassing the Japanese advance in central Hupeh by flanking and rear attacks. Several points on the Kiangshan-Chungshang and Hankow-Ichang highways have returned to Chinese hands as a result of such harassing attacks. These include Yunglung-ho, Yenmenkow, and Wamsietal, all lying to the east of Chungshang. It is claimed that about 300 Japanese casualties were inflicted and eight Japanese tanks damaged.

About 1,000 Japanese infantry and cavalrymen moved northward from Chungshang yesterday to meet Chinese attacks. South of Chungshang, the Japanese are menaced by a Chinese encircling movement.

A Japanese party of about 100 men made an attempt to cross the Han River at Chungshang in three boats yesterday morning. They were fired upon by the Chinese while they were midstream. One of the boats was sunk. The other two immediately turned back.

HOME FOOTBALL LEAGUE TABLES

Owing to pressure on space the Home Football League tables to date, which usually appear on the Back Page, are held over and will be published in to-morrow's issue.

JAPANESE PLANES SHOT DOWN

KWEILIN, Mar. 9 (Central).—Auntie reports received at the military headquarters here reveal that during the Japanese air attack on Hainan Island on February 20, two of the participating planes were shot down by the Chinese forces.

NO DISSENTIENT VOICE IN PRESS

JAPANESE SCHEME MADE IMPOSSIBLE

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—All papers give prominence to the announcement of the Stabilization Fund and liveliest satisfaction is expressed and there is no dissentient voice. Both press and financial circles point out that one result of it may be to make it impossible for the Japanese scheme for banning the Chinese dollar in North China.

In this connection it is learnt that Chinese troops in North China are paid in money sent from Chungking which, despite the difficulties in the huge spaces to be covered, are regularly transmitted, hence the Stabilization Fund will help Chinese currency even in North China as it were by the back door.

"Reuter" learns on good authority that a small Chinese exchange equalisation fund has been operating for the past nine months and has actually shows a profit on transactions.

Before the announcements were made in Parliament the principal foreign Governments were informed of the British intentions. It is understood that the communication to Japan recalled Japan's previous statement that a stable Chinese dollar is in her interest.

A series of interesting films, of educational value, was shown to a large gathering of Scouts at the Cathedral Hall yesterday evening. The show was arranged by Mr. Wilby, Scoutmaster of the newly formed Cathedral Troop, and the Rev. A. P. Rose, for the purpose of raising funds for the troop.

GUIDE TO THE NEWS

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Exchange Market Fund Is Firmly Maintained Despite Speculative Raids: Crisis Virtually Overcome

INTERVIEWED BY THE "CENTRAL NEWS" ON THE LONDON ANNOUNCEMENT OF A STABILIZATION FUND FOR THE CHINESE CURRENCY, MR. T. V. SOONG, CHARMAN OF THE BANK OF CHINA, SAID:—

"THE STABILITY OF THE CHINESE DOLLAR, WHICH HAS BEEN MAINTAINED SINCE JUNE LAST, HAS NOW BEEN GIVEN A STILL STRONGER BASIS BY THE CREATION OF A JOINT STABILIZATION FUND BY THE BANK OF CHINA AND BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS, AND, ON THE BRITISH SIDE, BY THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION AND THE CHARTERED BANK.

"It will be recalled that on March 12, 1938, under circumstances that are well known, the Government issued a mandate suspending free sales by the Government banks of foreign currency at official rates, and prescribing a procedure for the application and allotment of foreign exchange."

"Exchange rates in the open market at Shanghai continuously dropped and by June that year, the dollar was quoted in the neighbourhood of eight pence," he added.

"At that point, the Bank of China, felt that dollar was undervalued, and as the Chinese people possess an abiding confidence in their currency, if the Bank would make determined efforts to absorb temporary shocks, caused by unfavourable military and political developments, the market could be held.

"The tacit consent of the Ministry of Finance was finally obtained for the operation, and with the unstinting support of friendly foreign interests and the other Chinese banks, the Bank of China started to stabilize the exchange market.

"Experience has shown that our expectations had been amply justified, and despite speculative raids caused by the successive fall of Kiang, Canton and Hankow, the exchange market has been firmly maintained. The Bank was even able to re-purchase all the foreign exchange it had used for the support of the dollar, when the uneasiness on the exchange market that followed any serious military reverse subsequently subsided.

"With China's balance of international payments no longer causing a drain on her foreign exchange reserves, the creation of a joint Stabilization Fund by important Chinese and British interests to provide a cushion to absorb possible future shocks, and engaging resources many times greater than the Bank of China had so far employed, will be welcomed by all who are interested in the domestic and foreign trade of China as a factor in the stability of the Chinese currency that could hardly be over-estimated," concluded Mr. Soong.

FAVOURABLE EFFECT IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, March 9 (T.Ocean).—Sir John Simon's announcement had a favourable effect on the Shanghai stock exchange this morning. Chinese currency quotations showing a rise of two per cent. The flight into foreign exchange resulting from the impending elimination of Chinese currency in North China has been brought practically to a halt by Sir John's declaration.

Financial quarters here believe that the crisis for Chinese currency is virtually overcome.

The Japanese press severely criticizes the plan of the British loan which it regards as England's answer to the Japanese endeavours for reorganization of the Far East.

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AIRGEAD SIOS SCRATCHED

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—Airgead Sios has been scratched from the Grand National following a breakdown during training.

First Constructive Step By British Government

JAPANESE HAVE NO LEGITIMATE CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT

LONDON, March 9 (Reuter).—The British Government's decision to guarantee the Stabilization Fund is welcome from all points of view, says "Financial News." "For the British traders in the Far East and the British holders of Chinese bonds it is cheering news indeed.

NO URGENT NECESSITY, WELCOME SAFEGUARD

A CONSTRUCTIVE POLICY

LONDON, March 9 (Reuter).—In their "City Notes" this morning, "The Times" says that the announcement of the £10,000,000 Stabilization Fund for Chinese exchange will be most welcomed in the City, especially in quarters interested from any point of view in China trade.

The Chinese Government has all along been greatly assisted by large purchases of silver by the American Treasury. Latterly, silver shipments have been diminishing and it is generally believed that, although there are adequate funds to support the exchange for the time being, foreign exchange silver reserves are not so ample as could be wished.

In the circumstances, "The Times" adds, this Stabilization Fund, though not perhaps an urgent necessity, is certainly a most welcome safeguard. It is more-over satisfactory to find that the Chinese banks are able to place so large a sum of sterling funds at its disposal.

The amount of the fund is large in relation to any demands likely to be made thereon and it should be well within the power of the committee, which is to administer the fund in Shanghai, to maintain stability in the exchange, or control the rate as desired.

"The Times" comment adds that the Japanese attempt to force Federal Reserve Bank currency in North China must be viewed with considerable concern due to the possibility of a breakdown in the ordinary mechanism of North China's foreign trade, but there is little reason to think that it will present a serious problem for the defence of the Chinese dollar.

After explaining that the Japanese can have no legitimate cause for complaint, the "Financial News" says, "One could wish that the opposite were true. Not merely our own interests, but common decency, demand that we should support China against Japan's wanton and brutal aggression.

"Yet hitherto only America has given any real assistance and our own material contribution was limited to a few hundred thousand pounds sterling for the purchase of lorries.

"Yesterday's move is the first constructive step the Government has seen fit to take and it should not be allowed to rest until this country has done its utmost to help China," the paper concludes.

The "News-Chronicle" says that a stable Chinese dollar is vitally necessary to British financial and commercial interests. That was a good reason for helping China but it was not the best reason.

Wider interests, adds the paper, demand that Japan shall not be allowed to get away with her brutal assault on her neighbour and one of the ways in which Britain can strengthen China's gallant resistance is by financial help. "There should be more of it," declares the "News-Chronicle."

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Committee consisting of Mr. M. J. Abbott (chairman), Mr. W. R. Scott, The Rev. G. E. S. Updell, Major (Brevet Lieut.-Col.) T. W. Richardson, O. B. E., R. A. S. C., and Mr. F. M. Hodgson to undertake the drafting of the necessary legislation for the improvement of the existing laws and regulations affecting vehicles and traffic in the Colony.

Thieves who entered the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, early on Wednesday morning, stole a quantity of iron railings from various graves.

In the World of Sports

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

Entries For First Extra Meeting

The following are the entries for the First Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be run at Happy Valley on Saturday, Mar. 18, 1939.

1.—Hay and Corn Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of any Season that have started at least twice since February 24, 1939, and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. From the 14 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards).
Blatdon 158 lbs., Coronation Day 155, Dekko 181, Desert Star 155, Double Chance 161, February 153, Fei Ying 158, Golden Cow 155, Gold Sovereign 161, Guinness Time 152, King's Envoy 158, Kut Cheung 152, Lambeth Bridge 155, Magog 158, Meteor 161, National Honour 158, New Bedford 155, Old Fashioned 155, Opening Batsman 161, Piet Hein 155, Racing Boy 155, Radium Star 155, Smiling Time 155, Some Hope 155, Sports Venture 159, Talkative 158, The Grey Tiger 161, The Leopard 158, Tribute 158, and Wild Cat 155.

30 Entries.
2.—Lotters Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins of this Season that have started at least twice and have not won. Weight: 10 lbs. under weight for inches. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Jockeys: 2 lbs. penalty for each race won; maximum penalty 10 lbs. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.
Avon 151 lbs., Blue Diamond 148, Jennifer 151, Peaceful View 151, and The Tigris 145.

5 Entries.
3.—All Out Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies that have started at least twice since February 24, 1939, and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.
Bear Claw 161 lbs., Commencement Bay 161, Gladiator 158, Humdrum Eve 161, King's Warden 161, Laughing Girl 158, Oak Bay 161, Potentate 158, and Soldier of Britain 161.

9 Entries.
4.—Randwick Plate.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of this Season that have started and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.
African Diamond 155 lbs., Amber II 152, Bruno 155, Chiltern 155, Devonian 155, Hellum 149, King's Herald 152, Magic 152, National Victory 152, Poconos 155, Rising Star 152, Ruby Star 155, and Schmetterling 152.

13 Entries.
5 or 7.—Tyram Handicap.—(First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season that have started at least twice. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.
Alpha, Ascot Vale, Avalon, Black Diamond, Blatdon, Bogy, Bressay, Chatterbox, Fairchild, February Fourth, Gold Tower, Green Bay, Guinness Time, Heddon, King Kong, King's Envoy, Kut Cheung, Lambeth Bridge, Matador Milley, Musketeer, Orange Boven,

Pall Mall, Patriotic Day, Phoenix, Portrush, Radium Star, Rose Day, Silver Star, Smiling Time, Sports Venture, Starlet, Strathbannock, The Buccaneer, The Mermaid, The Spirit of St. Louis, Tiger Eyes, Tiny Tim, True Love, Wilber, Wild Bear, and Willynilly.

42 Entries.
6 or 8.—Hongkong Handicap (First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies that have started since February 24, 1939. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.
Advancing Time, Bear Claw, Boolat Bay, Commencement Bay, Desert Chief, Flybynight, Gladiator, Jobber, King's Lead, King's Warden, Laughing Girl, Moonlight View, Night View, Red Feather, Rob Roy, Rose Elect, Rose Jane, Rose Queen, Royal Highness, Scenic View, Soldier of Britain, Tampa Bay, Tyne, and Wild Life.

84 Entries.
9.—Moonie Ponds Handicap.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any Season that have started since February 24, 1939, and have not won. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.
A Great Time, Annabella, Aztec, Brutus, Centre Court, Criffel, Discovery Bay, Double Finesse, King's Privilege, Snowy River, and Strathcarrick.

11 Entries.
The following fifteen players were invited to make the trip:—Tam Kwan-kon, Leung Wing-chiu, Lee Tin-sang, Lai Shui-wing, Lee Wai-tong, Fung King-cheong, Sheehan, Freshwater, Courtney, Ridley, Hunt, Hau Yung-sang, A. V. Gosano, Emberson, E. Strange.

Local Soccer Forecast

SATURDAY SENIOR SHIELD (Semi-final)

SOUTH CHINA "A" v. Eastern First Division
Club v. KWONG WAH...
POLICE (1) v. Kowloon (0)
Second Division
R.E. v. ST. JOSEPH'S
Club v. MIDDLESEX
Royal Scots v. SOUTH CHINA
Police v. KOWLOON

SUNDAY First Division

EASTERN (4) v. St. Joseph's (3).
Royal Scots (2) v. S. CHINA "B" (3)
Third Division (A) Play Off
Runner-up Position
30TH R.A. v. South China
Second Division
R.A.O.C. v. 5TH R.A.

FIFTEEN PLAYERS FOR MANILA

At the meeting of the Management committee of the Hongkong Football Association held on Wednesday night it was decided that arrangements for the visit to Manila be started immediately.

The team will leave by the President Cleveland on April 28 and return by the S. S. Tisdale on May 10.

The following fifteen players were invited to make the trip:—Tam Kwan-kon, Leung Wing-chiu, Lee Tin-sang, Lai Shui-wing, Lee Wai-tong, Fung King-cheong, Sheehan, Freshwater, Courtney, Ridley, Hunt, Hau Yung-sang, A. V. Gosano, Emberson, E. Strange.

COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Newcomer Defeats A. V. Gosano

GRAY & BURNETT WIN IN DOUBLES

Though none of the men right on top were playing, yesterday's matches in the Colony Open tennis championships were not without interest.

A result that must have surprised most local followers of the game was the easy defeat of A. V. Gosano, an experienced competitor, at the hands of Lim Thiam-tet. The latter, though a man who has played in good class tennis in Malaysia, is comparatively unknown here, and the fact that he walked over Gosano by scores of 6-2, 6-0 has created quite a favourable impression.

In fairness to the loser, however, it must be stated that he was obviously very much out of practice. Football and tennis are two entirely different games!

The best doubles match was that between S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett, the Kowloon C.C. pair, and H.P. Ong and S.H. Ling. As the scores of 7-5, 6-8, 6-3 indicate, it was a very close game, in which the K.C.C. pair's better combination and stamina was the deciding factor.

In partnership with Lee Wai-tong, Lu Tak-cheuk beat his brother, Lu Tak-lam, and Luk Chun-cheung by scores of 7-5, 6-3, in a match in which, as a whole, Lee was head and shoulders above the others.

RESULTS

Yesterday's results follow:—

Open Singles

Wei Chung beat J. R. Turner 6-1, 6-0.
T. J. Gould beat H. V. Ho 9-7, 6-1.
Wong Shu-wing v. E. E. Storey: Storey retired hurt.
Lim Thiam-tet beat A. V. Gosano 6-2, 6-0.
E. C. Fletcher beat Kwok Hing-chung 6-1, 6-1.

Open Doubles

S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett beat H. P. Ong and S. H. Ling 7-5, 6-8, 6-3.
Lee Wai-tong and Lu Tak-cheuk beat Luk Chun-cheung and Lu Tak-lam 7-5, 6-3.

Club Singles Championship

T. A. Pearce beat J. C. Pool 6-2, 6-1.
T. C. Monaghan beat Lt. N. D'Oyly 6-3, 6-2.

SEVEN - A - SIDE RUGBY

The preliminary rounds of this tournament have been completed and eight teams are now left to compete in the finals on Saturday, Mar. 11, on the Club ground at Happy Valley.

The results of yesterday's games were as follows:—
Police "A" beat H.M.S. "Birmingham" 9-3.

Royal Engineers beat Small Ships "B" (Playing six men only) 16-3.

Small Ships "A" beat Rest of Club 18-0.

Middlesex "A" beat Tai Koo 6-3 after extra time.

The following teams will compete on Saturday, play commencing at 8.00 p.m.

P. & O. Building and Another v. Hongkong Bank 8.00 p.m.; 5th A.A. Regt. "A" v. Small Ships "A" 8.20 p.m.; R.A.O.C. v. Royal Engineers 8.40 p.m.; Middlesex "A" v. Hongkong Police "A" 4.00 p.m.

The games will be refereed by Dr. J. A. R. Selby and Surg. Lt. Cmdr. Herron and Nicholson.

Admission to the centre of the Covered Stand on Saturday will be \$1.00. Elsewhere in the stands the charge will be 50 cents. Service men in uniform will be admitted at half price.

U.S. BEATEN AT SQUASH RACKETS

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—At the Queen's Club, Great Britain beat the United States at Squash Rackets by five matches to nil.

The best match was that in which the British Champion, Miss Margot Lumb, beat the American Champion, Miss Azina Page, 9-1, 9-0.

This is Britain's fourth win since the matches began in 1933.

WEDNESDAY'S SHOOTING: GOOD SCORES SEEN

Sgt. Cooper Heads S.R.(b) List; Four Others Close

A light cross breeze which came and went and a good steady light prevailed at the mid-week shoot. Scoring at 200 yards and 500 yards was good but 600 yards once again saw many promising scores spoil.

Sgt. Cooper of the Middlesex won the S.R. (b) Nett Spoon with a steady 97 separated only by 1 point from Capt. Sequela, Col. Cole, Lt. Le Seellour and P.O. Swan. The latter was heading for a century but experienced difficulty at 600 yards after scoring a possible at 500 yards.

Handicap Spoons went to Bandmaster Kifford of the Middlesex who put a good 95, a sound performance as it is his first season. Sgt. Ho of H.K. Police Reserve and Sgt. Tomlinson took the other two handicap spoons.

Sgt. Russell of the H.K. Police, who represented the Colony at Bisley last year, was out getting his eye in again on return from leave. In the S.R. (a) Class L/Cpl. Langford won the Nett Spoon with a very fine shoot of 94 and which bring his handicap down to scratch. Sgt. Heap of the Royal Marine had a steady 90.

Handicap spoons went to large handicap members Bds. Bolam, and Commerford of the Middlesex, L/Cpl. Brighty, and Spr. Canning.

HOME SOCCER

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—The following are results of matches played on Mar. 8 in the English and Scottish Football Leagues:

FIRST DIVISION

Portsmouth 2, Leeds 0.
Derby 0, Chelsea 1.
Wolverhampton 8, Mid'borough 1.
Blackpool 2, Preston 1.
Everton 4, Leicester 0.

THIRD DIV. (SOUTHERN)

Mansfield 4, Torquay 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Motherwell 2, St. Mirren 1.
St. Johnstone 2, Hibernians 1.
Kilmarnock 1, Queen of South 1.
Third Lanark 0, Celtic 2.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

BADMINTON.—Colony Championships, at Tai Koo, J. S. Ho v. C. N. Silva, 8 p.m.; A. L. Fisher v. S. H. Boone, 8.30 p.m.; L. Sung and T. F. Yong v. M. A. Oliveira and Carvalho, 9 p.m.; Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8 p.m.

BRIDGE.—Y.M.C.A. Women's Section Bridge & Practice Play, 10 a.m.

HOCKEY.—Y.M.C.A. 2nd XI v. Hongkong H.C. (King's Park), 5 p.m.

MEETINGS.—Annual of Kowloon B.G.C. 6 p.m.; Extraordinary of R.H.K.G.C. (Cathedral Hall), 5.30 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony championships: S. W. Liang v. N. A. E. MacKay; A. Crawford v. Pang Olam; F. H. Kwok v. P. C. Leong; Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky v. Lt. D. C. Misra and Lt. S. M. Afzal; Chan Kam-moon and Wong Fuk-nam v. I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu; Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tse-sam; S. A. Rumbahn v. N. L. Evans.

HOME RUGBY LEAGUE

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—In a Rugby League match, Featherstone beat Rochdale by 16 points to nil.

THIS WEEK'S WINNERS IN HOME FOOTBALL

"Telescope" Selects Them For "Daily Press" Readers

The following are the Home football fixtures for the week-end with the probable winners given in capital type. Each Friday "Telescope" picks the winners for Hongkong followers of this great winter game, the forecast for to-morrow being as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION	
Birmingham	v. Wolves
BOLTON W.	v. Brentford
CHARLTON A.	v. Blackpool
Chelsea	v. Grimsby
Leeds United	v. ARSENAL
LIVERPOOL	v. Huddersfield
MANCHESTER U.	v. Portsmouth
Middlesbrough	v. Aston Villa
Preston N.E.	v. Everton
STOKE	v. Derby C.
	v. Sunderland

SECOND DIVISION	
BURNLEY	v. Bradford
COVENTRY	v. Blackburn
LUTON T.	v. Tranmere
Newcastle	v. Sheffield W.
Norwich C.	v. West Ham
Notts F.	v. FULHAM
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CONFIDE IN FAITH PRIOR

YES OR NO has a problem on etiquette. Is it proper to wear a hat during a formal luncheon party in a friend's residence? She did and several other guests passed derogatory remarks about the fact.

IT IS CORRECT TO WEAR A hat at such an event, and merely because it is a custom that has been long established. Two reasons "why" are, first that a hat always completes a woman's street costume. In fact, it may very well depend upon the hat for its finished smartness.

The second reason is that a hat is more becoming than a barehead to most women, especially to those who are not very young. This is the reason why the majority of guests on the far side of 40 wear hats. On the other hand, very young guests in the lower twenties rarely, if ever wear them.

There is a definite rule for guests which requires that a hat be worn outside of one's own house on all daytime occasions which can be considered formal. Young girls and very young women are more likely than not to take their hats off as soon as they enter the houses of intimate friends.

In some of the smaller and more friendly communities, it is felt that a guest who does not take her hat off is somewhat standoffish. Therefore, the best rule is perhaps the old one of "When in Rome, do as Romans do."

APPLAUDER is a young girl wishing to know the etiquette of applauding. Is there a general rule, when is it proper and when not, and does a lady applaud the orchestra after a dance?

YOU NEVER APPLAUD at a religious ceremony. But generally everywhere else you applaud in proportion to your appreciation. But if the speaker, or the artist, is a member of your family, then you smile happily but applaud very lightly and briefly. It is not improper for a young lady to applaud the orchestra; however, usually only the man does, it shows appreciation and also choice of music selection.

LONELY HAS LIVED in the Colony four months. Her husband is employed all day. She reads, sews, knits and belongs to one club. However, she does not enjoy bridge and teas every afternoon of the week, the few women she has met are not of enough interest to warrant a great deal of her time and thought.

IN THE ORIENT AND HONG-KONG especially, it is difficult, the occupation of interest for married women without children or careers. There are many women here who do gardening, others prepare the family meals several times a week, trying new recipes and keeping their hand in the art of cooking. Have you any hobby? What about tennis two mornings a week, horseback riding once or twice a week, sailing, golf, keep up with you reading and sewing, have you tried writing for remuneration, sending your stories to various magazines? What about a hobby, stamps, photograph, cataloguing a home library?

The Chinese relief and refugee organizations would be happy to use your services. Try making a system each week, do certain activities and a certain amount on each day and approximately the same hours. Be a little more self-sufficient, but do not overdo it, remember you have a tired and hungry husband coming home each evening. Be in your place at home by four o'clock and make yourself fresh, neat and happy for his return.

A FATHER ASKS IF HE should force his son to attend

a Sunday school. The whole family are church-going people, but the boy of 11 years rebels and attends in a very surly mood on the few occasions he has been persuaded to go.

ONE HESITATES TO GIVE A definite "yes" or "no" in a case like that. Perhaps the Sunday school teacher is at fault, perhaps there has been some unrevealed friction with fellow pupils. Or, what is even more likely, the boy probably has some other passionate interest he wants to indulge on the Sabbath, making aeroplanes, for instance, or some other entrancing hobby.

Then again, maybe the mother has made Sunday school a duty, something to be endured rather than enjoyed. Have you yourselves, the parents, planted those precious seeds from babyhood that make of religion a sweet and important spiritual experience? The mere formalities are not important or their own account. I would like to see your boy "won" to Sunday school, not "forced." A little affectionate psychology should help a lot.

DEAR FAITH PRIOR: I am a 26-year-old married woman with a four-year-old son. My husband has separated from me and I support the child, now under my care, and myself. The father has made threats regarding my son, he wishes to take him to his grandparents' home. Can he do this, and if so how can I prevent such happening. I am getting along very well, the boy is well and to all appearances happy. A Mother.

DEAR MOTHER: This situation in which you find yourself is unfortunate. However, the child's place is always with the mother unless she is proven unfit for the care and up-bringing of the youngster. The father should be allowed to see the child if he so desires. If it is impossible for you to live with your husband in peace and harmony, then see a solicitor.

Explain your whole problem to him and have a legal arrangement made whereby you can keep your child. Undoubtedly, unless the courts find otherwise, the father will be given permission to see his child on certain specific days.

(Each week in this column FAITH PRIOR answers questions of a personal nature submitted by readers of the "Daily Press.")

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complaints regarding her feet has yet to be heard from. Those of you who have had the pleasure and thrill of foot massage and an hour in the chiropodist's chair know the feeling and there is almost no other such comfort in the world.

In Hongkong there has been a great need for a competent chiropodist and now a "local girl has made good," so to speak and opens her shop to the public this coming Monday morning.

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Round The Shops

Just wait until you commence your spring shopping! There is a surprise in store for every individual. The new, thrilling and attractive designs incorporated in the spring and summer wardrobe will provide you with a terrible case of "wants" and "needs."

The Foundation Matters not what costume you are wearing it will not be flattering nor pleasing to the eye unless it has the correct foundation. By this fashion designers mean undergarments. Few women to-day do not need girdles, brassiers or foundations which mold their figures into perfect sizes and provide a smooth symmetrical base for the dress.

LANE CRAWFORD specializes in such garments. Hongkong weather being humid and hot, this shop has girdles, long and short, with porous elastic, a net or voile insert. Some of these garments have zippers, other have hooks, more desirable in warm climates; no pulling over warm flesh.

Foundation garments in latex with satin, lace or net insets are quite new and easier to wear and laundry. Brassiers of net, and organza reinforced have latex at necessary points.

The latest rage for dressy dress or formal evening attire is the French garment, named "Scandale." This is a pull-on girdle of two way stretch net elastic, very strong and guaranteed to stay in place without the detachable garters. The price may be high for some but it certainly is worth the investment for summer evening frock. There's just nothing to it, yet it does wonders for the figure to which it clings.

Chic & Sassy Straws

All women are hat-minded, and every time they step into MAXOS in the Arcade they read themselves into temptation. The collection of new spring and summer hats leaves little to be desired.

Large brimmed rough-straws with small high crowns have a garland of flowers for decoration and zip. Round rolled brim pill box styles in rough white straw have blue silk feathers shooting into the ether and a navy veil with white chenille dots gives sophistication.

Snappy, neat, trim saliors with shallow crowns, and stiff semi-wide brims have various coloured ribbons, bands, trims at the crown. A few have the brim edge finished in the same ribbon. With a suit of tailored silk dress its tops in style.

Try a panama designed in pancake, pill box, or square crowned style, add a bit of bright coloured ribbon and you will have something smart and eye-taking in a bonnet. High Fashion, Plus!

To date the smartest selection in Hongkong for spring wear in day and evening frocks has been found in RIVELLE'S Arcade Shop.

The two-piece daytime frocks in sackings, lightweight wools, linen crepes are extremely smart and incorporate the new pleated, goared or circular skirts. The trim and cut making these garments outstanding is in the bodice which have unusual novelty trims.

The prints of daytime dresses are quite new and unusual, entirely different from those of past years. The pink and green combination is very good-looking designed into a summer frock. The satin print dresses will be the great downfall for many ladies.

The latest flattering shades of violet, tans, yellows and blues, in prints, dull silk and satin, linens, sackings, acetates are designed into the new styles of full skirts, odd neck lines, various sleeve treatments and chic bodice details.

Included in this shop's new stock are sheer, floating, dainty and dignified evening and dinner frocks. The new fullness at the hem of the dancing frocks will make any lady a bewitching picture.

Your Ten Toes

Any woman who has spent a summer in this Colony without shoes.

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Fashion PRE-VIEW

STYLING THE MAN

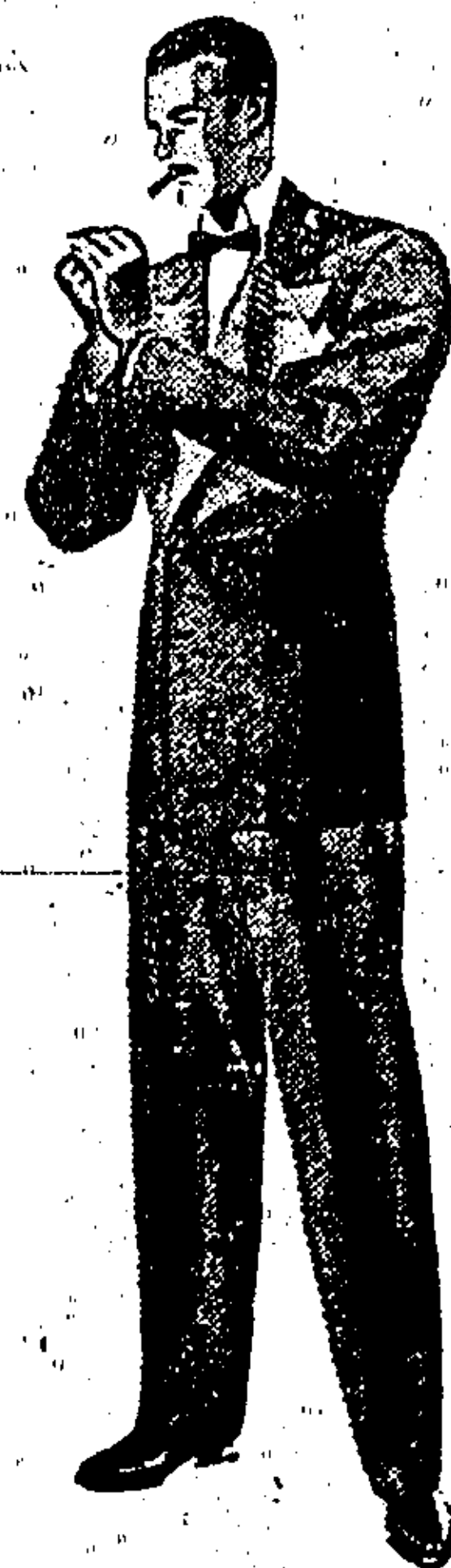
"He does," and "he does not," is on the record continually about men's clothing by their wives, sisters, mothers and sweethearts. There are certain set styles each season regarding men's wardrobes, therefore, the great controversy of "yes" and "no" prompted this short article on the males' attire.

What sort of topcoat should be worn in the evenings?

The correct coat is either a single-breasted, fly-front chesterfield with silk facings, or a double-breasted black vicuna with a velvet collar. As both of these come under the head of luxuries, it is permissible and even common practice to wear a dark blue chinchilla coat over tails, or to wear a dark gray overcoat, with dinner clothes, as long as it has no glaringly obtrusive pattern.

Is it right to wear soft shirts with dinner jackets?

It is perfectly correct to wear a soft shirt with a dinner jacket at less formal parties. Silk shirts, either plain bodomed or with six large pleats are becoming more and more popular in England and America. When worn with a stiff turnover collar this type of shirt may be worn even at restaurants and the theatre; but with a soft collar of the same material, it should be worn only at home or at very informal dinners.



When all is said and done, nothing can take the place of a stiff-bosomed evening shirt. A white pique shirt with a starched collar of the same pique attached and a pleated bosom is being worn by an increasing number of well-dressed men.

COLOURED STUDS

What about coloured studs with tails, or must they be pearls?

Coloured jewels, if they are simple in design and workmanship, may be worn with tails. Pearls, of course, are the most fitting and decorative jewels on a stiff-bosomed shirt and now that Oriental pearls have reached such a degree of perfection and are so moderately priced, almost any man can afford to wear them. Because they are solid mostly sets, studs, cuff links, and waistcoat buttons usually match. However it is not compulsory.

At an invited dinner party how does he know what to wear? Have the servant, or the man or his wife, phone his host or hostess, as the case may be, and enquire "White tie or black tie?" This is a general practice and solves the question. Usually the guest will be notified.

Does a man carry a cane in the evening. Wear white gloves to the opera, or at any time?

WHITE GLOVES

The straight black stick, which at one time was considered an integral part of the evening costume, has disappeared. Common sense, after all, is the supreme arbiter of fashion and for this reason anything that is cumbersome should be avoided. White gloves are no longer worn at the opera, in fact they are seldom in evidence nowadays. Only at government or diplomatic social events are they worn. Naturally they should be kid suede. A soft kid or grey suede is desired with evening clothes. At a wedding, the costume?

To be strictly correct the guest at a big wedding should wear either a cutaway or a short black jacket with striped trousers. However, you'll find that most of the younger men wear dark blue business suits with a flower in their lapel. To-day cutaways are not taped.

The waistcoat may be either single-breasted or double-breasted with a starched collar, and it can be of wool or a washable material. The Ascot tie is smartest, the collar a starched bold wing or double fold and the shirt a white one. Plain-tipped calfkin shoes are recommended, and no spats, unless he is the groom.

Pumps or low shoes in the evening?

Low patent-leather shoes for evening, because they are much more comfortable for dancing. Pumps are also worn by a great many well-dressed men who find them more suited to their own individual taste.

SMART SHIRTS

What shirts for business suits?

Coloured madras shirts in stripes or small neat figures are recommended in any shades that harmonize with the wool of the suit. Also the plain coloured chevrot shirts with collars attached. A cross-striped stiff-bosomed shirt is exceedingly smart. You see these in the banking world, at board meetings, and at the more formal business gatherings.

Men's socks. Is silk correct in the daytime with business suits?

Silk socks are not worn in the daytime. Lisle socks or thin wool are preferable. If there is a stripe they are smarter running around the ankle. Plain black silk socks should be worn in the evening. Sheer evening socks are not practical or in good taste, and for this reason it is recommended the



wearing of the six and three ribbed sock which originated in England and is now universal.

The evening hat?

The black Homburg is the most practical hat for evening. This type does not become all men, so it is permissible for those who feel that they are unbecoming to wear their derbys with their overcoats when tails are required. The collarable or opera hat may be worn with impunity at even the most dressy evening functions, although the silk hat still ranks as the top-most symbol of formality in a man's wardrobe.

TENNIS-INFORMAL SPORTS WEAR-BUSINESS

Tennis, golf and other informal sports wear depends upon the climate. Flannels or shorts are correct. Dark blue flannel slacks are very popular worn with jersey knit shirts, having short sleeves and open at the neck. Colours are blues, wines, yellow, dusty rose, greens, all-blending with the dark trousers. A scarf is usually worn inside the collar of the shirt.

A business suit is usually left to the individual selection in material.

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Any neck well carried, whether it is short or long, thin or thick, gives a proud, youthful effect.

If you fancy that your neck is a trifle short, pull it out of your shoulders. Walk stand, and sit as though an unseen hand were pulling your hair at the crown of your head. Practise this until holding your head proudly and lifting your neck out of your collar become automatic.

Wear your hair high. The new, up-swept hair-do will make your neck look longer. If you wear your hair down, choose a short bob, worn fluffy and brushed out from your neck. The thicker the hair is worn, the thinner the neck will look in proportion. Reject a long bob.

LONG NECKLACE

A long necklace with pendant reaching to the bust is better for the short neck than a bulky string of beads. A dress with a wide oval neckline, a deep V, a low square, or a collar, shaped to flare out from your neck, and sloped to a point in front, will slenderize.

Upturned hat brims are a better choice than brims turned low over the face and ears. Interest focused high leads the eye away from a full throat. On the same principle rouge applied high on the cheek bones and circled up toward the temples carries the eye upward. You can give apparent length to your throat line by using the same shade of foundation lotion and powder for the neck as for the face.

Muscles of the neck are beautiful. Soft, limby tissue is not. Give five minutes a day to exercise for muscle control. Spread an emollient over your throat area to make your skin supple. Open your mouth, and tilt your head slowly backward as far as it will go. Close your mouth, and clench your teeth. Repeat twelve times. Rotate your neck so that your chin

The nape is rough, the tailoring following the present styles, dark shades and woollens which do not crease easily are preferable.

There is no excuse for a husband or brother to be sloppy in his clothing, if he is not blamed the female in the picture will be. Therefore, start to work on your carelessly attired males.

touches first the right and then the left shoulder. Do this twelve times.

HOLD HEAD HIGH

Hold your head high, and go through an imaginary gum-chewing routine, exaggerating each jaw movement. Remove cream, pat on an astringent, and slap your neck and the cushioned area under your chin smartly with the backs of your stiffened fingers.

Apply a mask down to your shoulders line and leave it on for thirty minutes once or twice a week. Either the white of an egg or an almond meal paste is effective. Or you can buy one of the regular cosmetic preparations. Wear a chin strap when you bend over your reading or sewing, if your chin gets out of humors.

A great deal can be done for your throat with exercise, massage treatment, collar arrangement, jeweller and make-up.

1939's Points

Last January you would never have ordered a straight, loose coat. This year you probably will. Then your shoulders would have been tweaked upward with puffs or padding; now they are smooth.

Who, a year ago, had ever heard of quilts to bone a corset? Or marabou for hats? Or tinkling bells for buttons? No one would have dreamed that moulre would be so smart for day dresses, or black lace right for short pleated skirts and pullovers.

Hats—if you remember—were tiny and vells voluminous. Now there are more cubic sides in hats and less in the veil.

ALL HAVE STRAPS

It was exciting to own a strapless evening dress but the new crop all have straps. Fullness springs from the waist or near it; now it's set on below the hips. Dinner jackets used to come off, where now they're often part of the dress and not removable save in a strip-tease.

Last winter you would not have looked at caracul. You wouldn't have thought true blue so smart. Or considered smocking elegant. Or gone South with ruffles on your bathing costume and little pleated skirts instead of shorts. You wouldn't have thought of tobacco-coloured tulle. Nor would you have worn an old-fashioned child's dress on the street.

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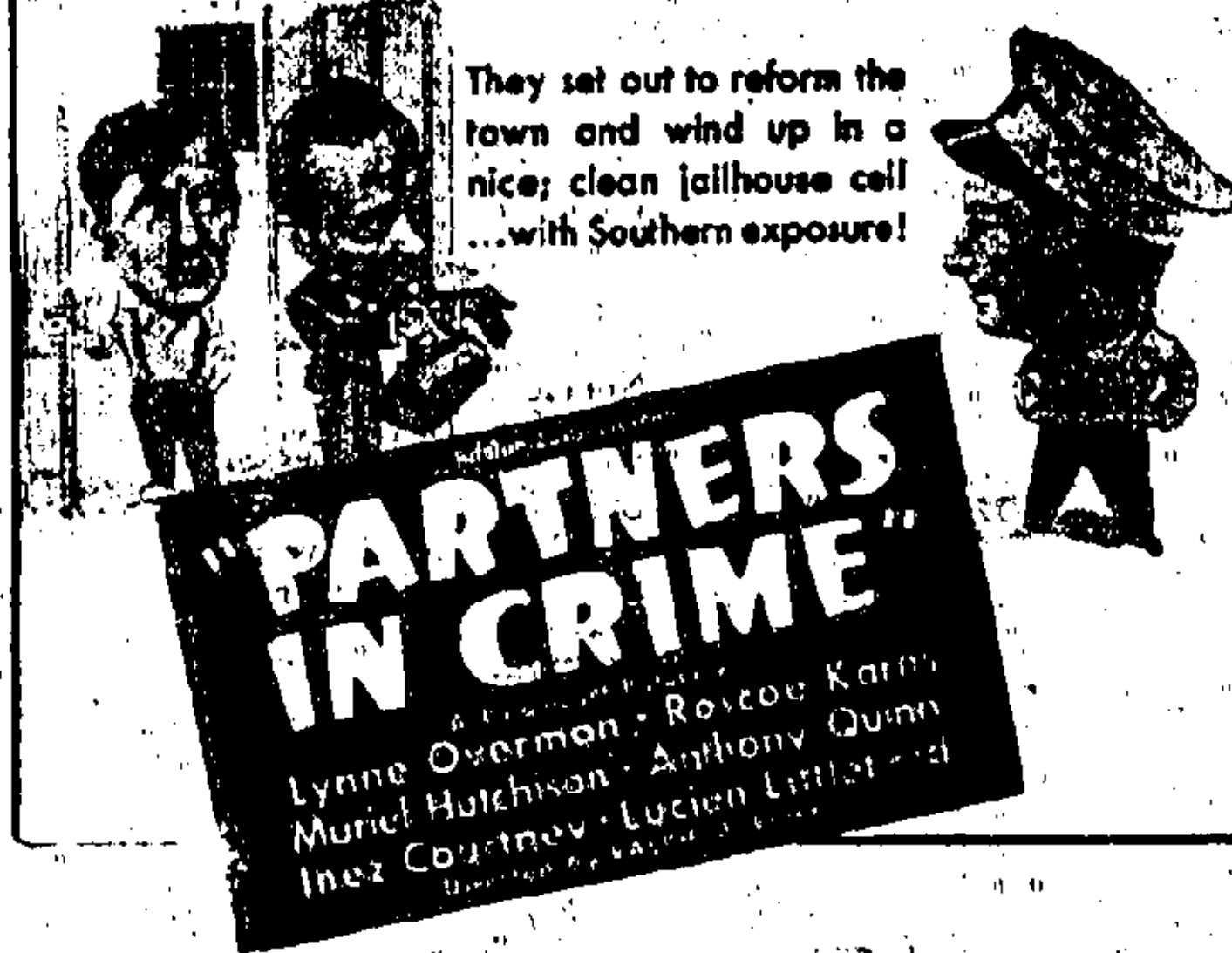
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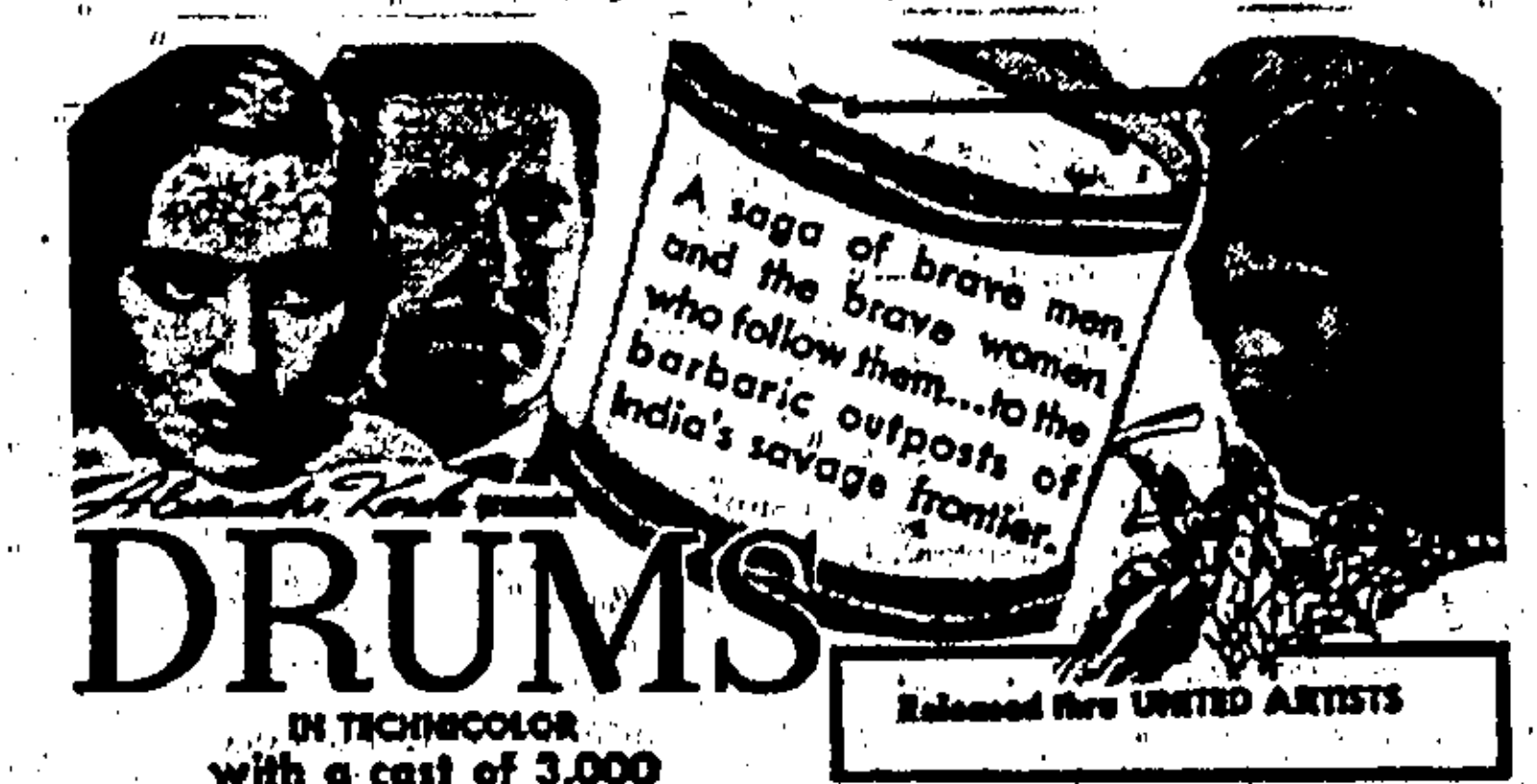
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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY
ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS—Sergei Diaghilev born, 1872. C. E. Worth died, 1895. The Forty Martyrs of Sebaste.
AUCTIONS—Postage Stamps, at 2 Connaught Road Central, (Room 205), 5.15 p.m.
CINEMAS—(See Column 3 of this Page).
DANCES—Northumberland and Durham Assn., Dinner & Dance, Roof Garden, Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.; Special Dance for Empress of Britain, at Salford Home and Seamen's Institute, 9 p.m.; Hongkong Reel Club.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES, Church Hall, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m.
ENTERTAINMENTS—Charity Entertainment: "The Previous Night," at St. Paul's Girls' College Hall, 8 p.m.; "The Shining Hour," at China Fleet Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
MALES—(See Page 10).
MEETINGS—St. Andrew's Church Medical Working Party, 10 a.m.; Helena May Religious Fellowship, 10.30 a.m.
MISCELLANEOUS—Y.M.C.A. Women's Section Bridge & Practice Play, 10 a.m.
MOON—Chinese 1 Moon, 20th Day.

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S:
"Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm"
QUEEN'S:
"Partners in Crime"
ORIENTAL:
"Last Gangster"
CATHAY:
"Lancer Spy"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:
"The Law West of Tombstone"
STAR:
"Story Of Louis Pasteur"
MAJESTIC:
"The Lone Wolf In Paris"

Coming

KING'S:
"My Bill"
QUEEN'S:
"Zaza"
ORIENTAL:
"Arkansas Traveller"
CATHAY:
"Carefree"
ALHAMBRA:
"Zaza"
"Arizona Raiders"
STAR:
"One Way Passage"
MAJESTIC:
"Love Finds Andy Hardy"

KNEW ROPES FIRST—THEN ACTED

Just about ten years ago, in the music halls of London, a young woman was spinning ropes with all the ease and grace of an experienced daughter of the plains. Her act was a sensation and few there were who knew that "Texas" Binnie Barnes had never even seen a cowboy, no less America.

"Texas" Binnie Barnes to-day appears as a somewhat snooty member of New York's most exclusive social set in Columbia's "Holiday" but liked it so well that she is here to stay.

LESS THAN 18

She was less than 18 when she entered Great Northern Hospital to become a nurse, only to surrender the idea after six months. She became a ball-room dancer and then a member of the vaudeville act of rope-spinning entertainer, Miss Barnes "learned the ropes" fast, and within the year had her own act, as "Texas" Binnie Barnes.

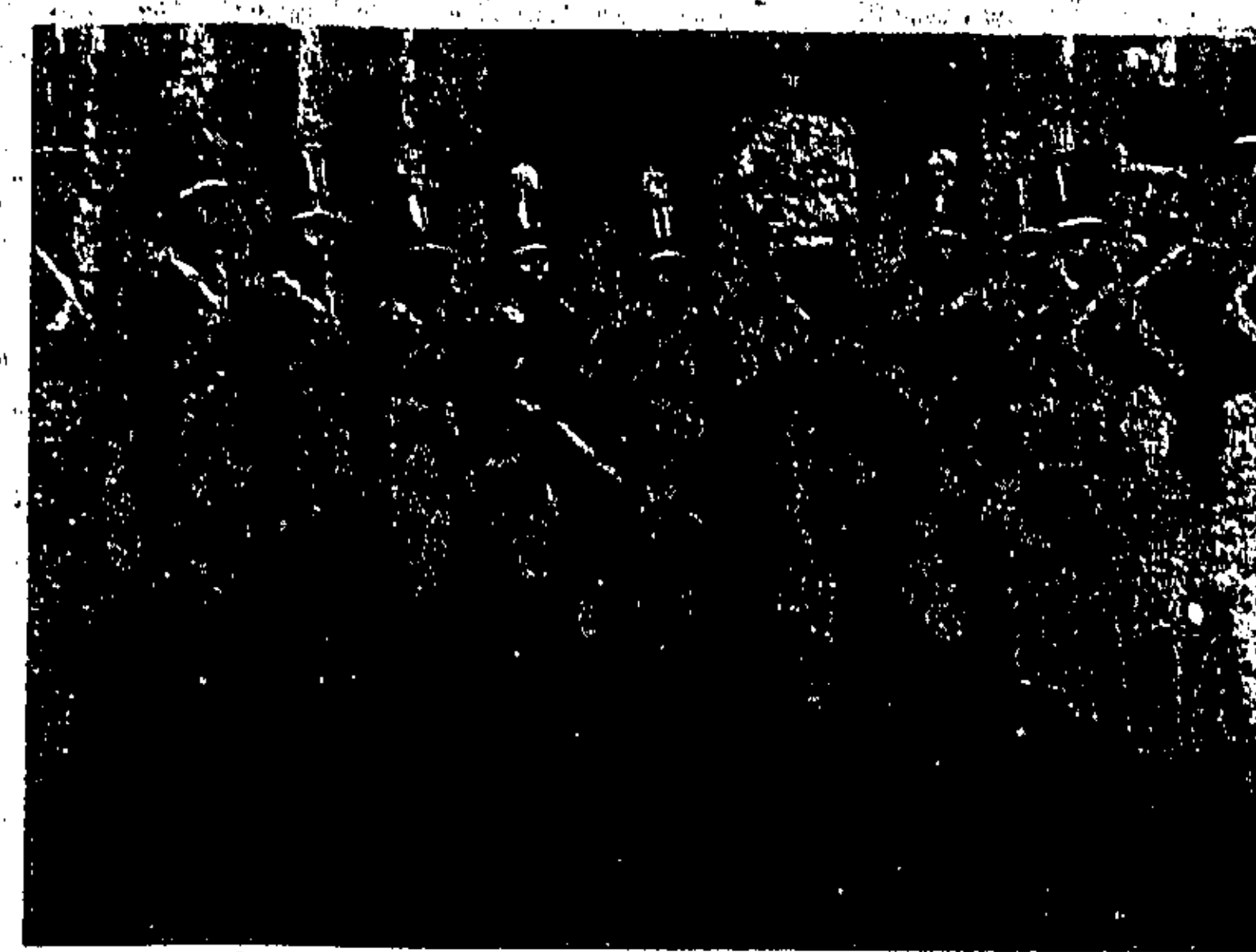
But 1929 saw her on the legitimate stage, with Charles Laughlin in "Silver Tassie." She spent a year studying dramatics, and then made her screen debut in a British film which starred Heather Angel. Miss Barnes next appeared in Noel Coward's "Cavalcade" at London's famous Drury Lane Theatre, to win immediate success. Alexander Korda, the British film producer, signed her for "The Private Life of Henry VIII" (she was Catherine), "Forbidden Territory," and "Return of Don Juan." She came to Hollywood in May 1934, to appear in "There's Always Tomorrow," "The Exciting Adventure" and "Gift of Gab."

After returning to England, for personal appearances, Miss Barnes again returned to America.

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RELIGIOUS—St. Andrew's Confirmation Class, (Young Men) 6 p.m.; Litany, Prayer and Meditation, 10.30 a.m.; Full Choir Practice, 6.30 p.m.; SOCIAL—Whist Drive and Tombola in R.E. W.O.'s and Sergeants Mess, Wellington Barracks, 9.15 p.m.
SPORTS—(See Page 2).
SUNRISE—6.38 a.m. SUNSET—6.30 p.m.
TIDES—High at 11.45. Low at 05.19 and 17.54.



A scene from "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" with Shirley Temple, showing to-day at the King's Theatre.

"REBECCA OF SUNNYBROOK FARM"

All the hit-songs that Shirley Temple has sung during her nearly-four year career in pictures—from "The Good Ship Lollipop" to "Goodnight, My Love"—will be sung again by the star Shirley Temple, with Rancid-topped star in "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," her new 20th Century-Fox picture, which opens at the King's Theatre to-day. Production—Chief Darryl F. Zanuck's decision to include a comprehensive reprise number of Edward Bromberg.

Shirley's famous songs was spurred by numerous fan letters to the child star asking her to sing her various songs again. "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" cast including Jack Haley, Gloria Stuart, Phyllis Brooks, Helen Westley, Slim Summerville, Bill Robinson, The Raymond Scott Quintet, Alan Dinehart, and J. Edward Bromberg.

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- Palm leaves
- Siamese coin
- Tumult
- King of Pylus
- At leisure
- That which is obliterated
- Goat to action
- Squeezed
- Ventilate
- Explode
- Climbing plant
- Ivory
- Dirk
- Resident physician
- Secluded place
- Annual church festival
- Very old
- Negro
- Weed growing in grainfields
- Unaccented
- Fish
- Otherwise
- Dread
- Barrier preventing flow of water
- Placed a golf ball on a

DOWN

- Greek athletic contest
- Native of Poland
- Periods of time
- Surgeon's
- Crownlike head ornament
- Perform
- Deviations
- Succession
- Medley
- Province of central Ecuador
- Moderate
- Correlative of either
- Allowance for waste
- Drunken
- Carousal
- Downhearted
- Pastry
- Vase with a pedestal
- Iniquity
- First woman
- Color
- Hop-vine
- Not attempted
- Something inflammable
- Strains of six lines
- Kingdom
- Symbol for sodium
- Young cow
- S-shaped moulding
- Rockfish
- Story
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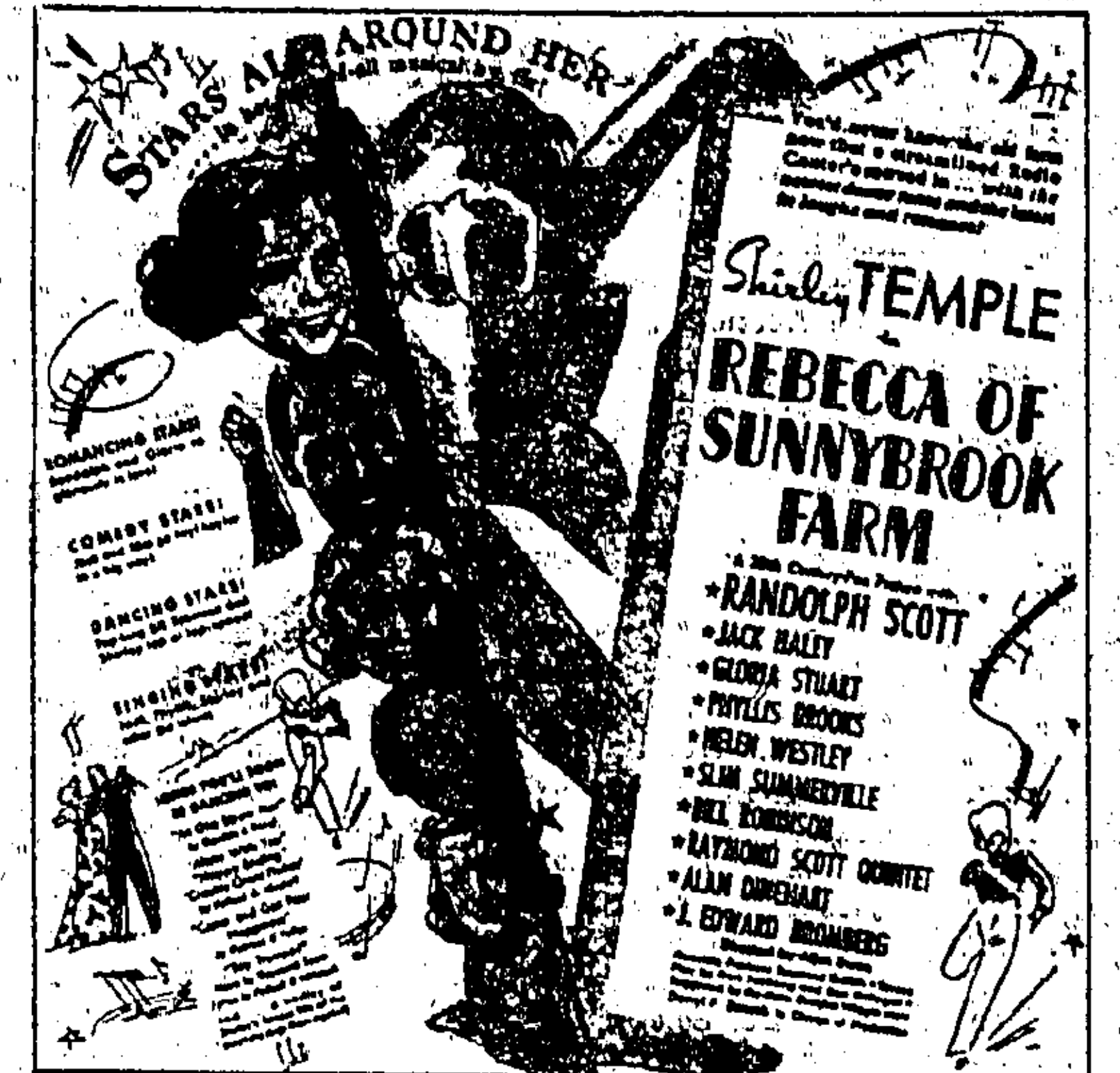
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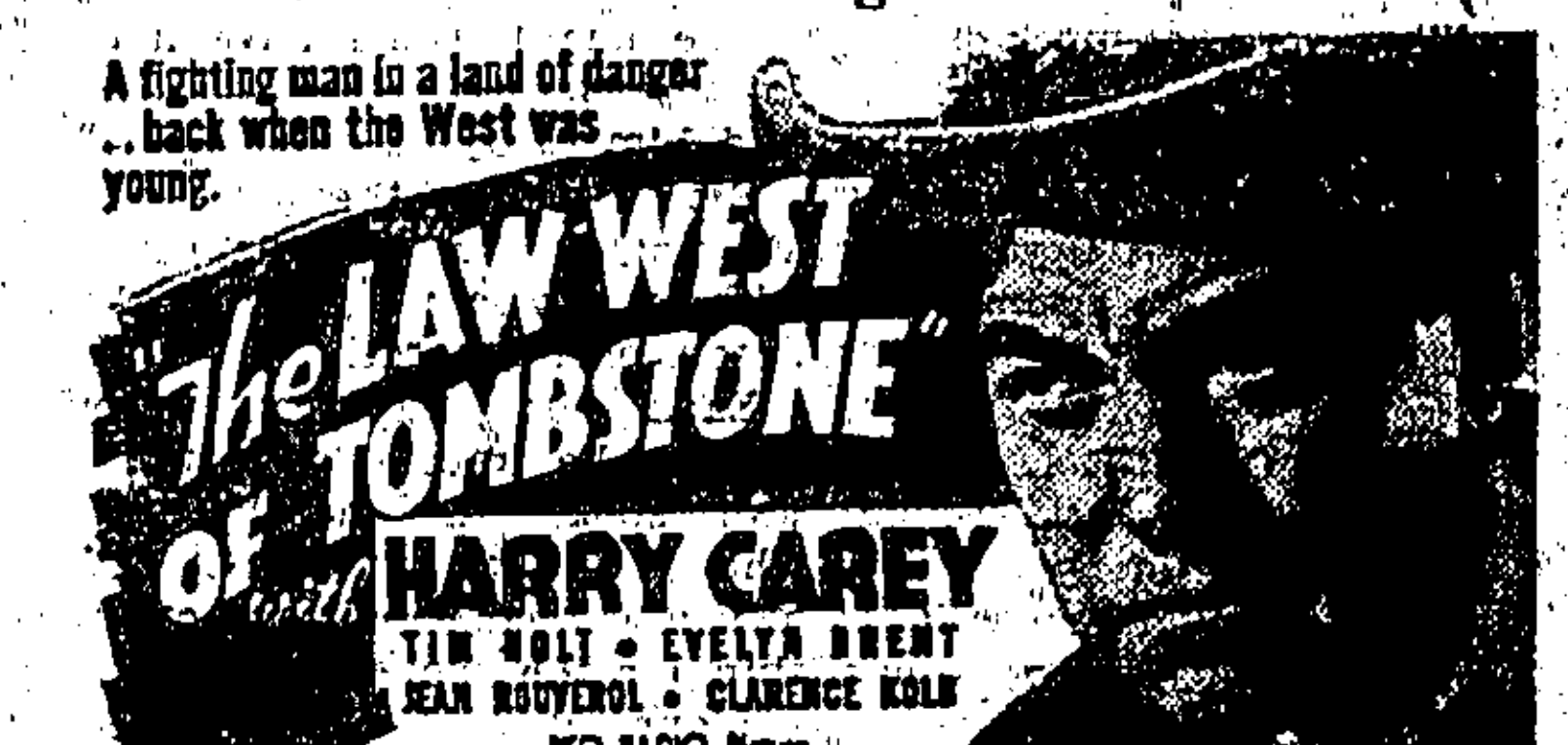


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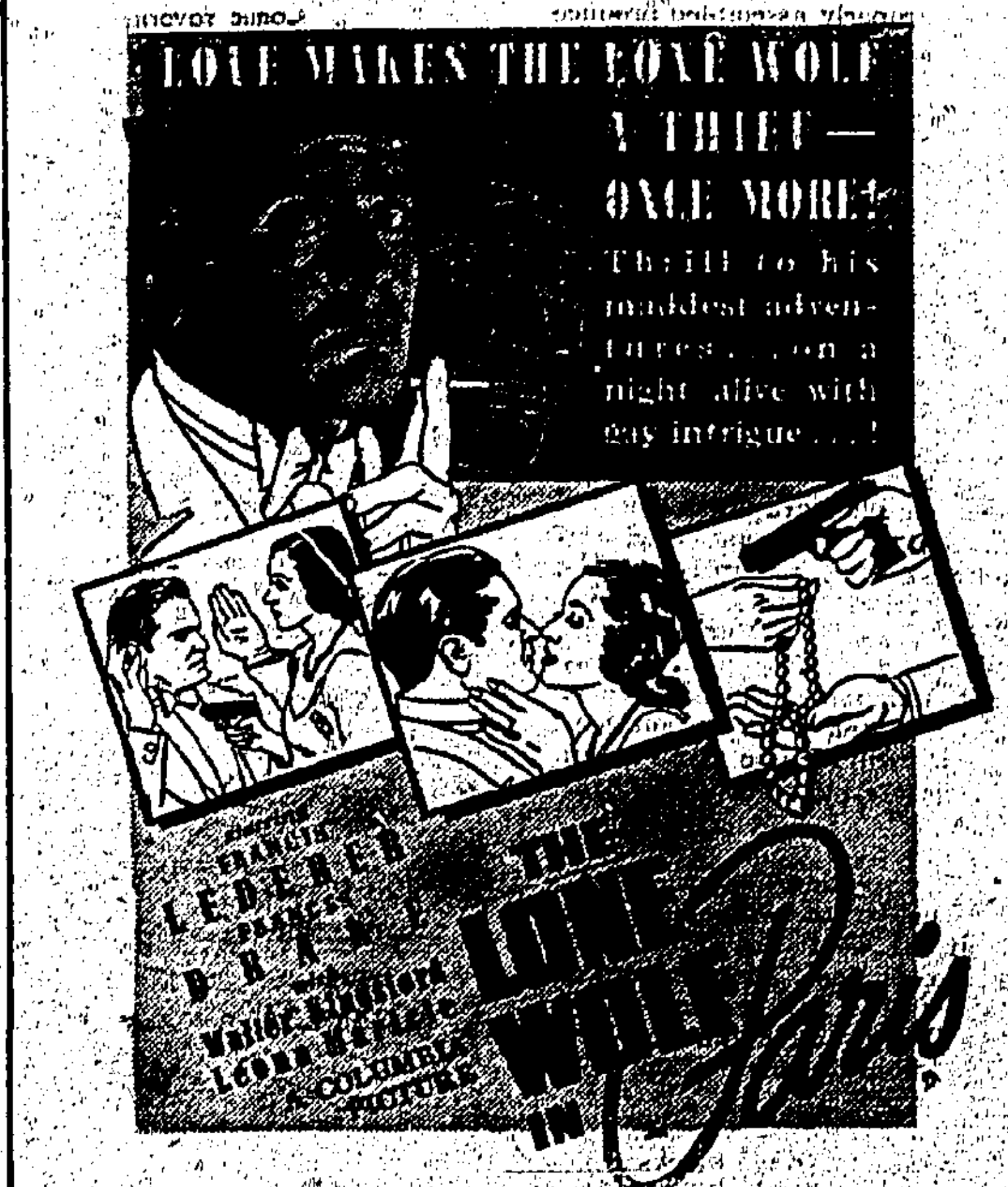
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WOMEN'S PAGE

Exhortation To Women Of Britain

A stirring appeal to the millions of Britain's womenfolk to vote for the man in their particular borough who takes up borough work because he has a real mission and because he has the urge to make life safer and worth living for his townspeople, was made by Miss Daphne Jackson, a former Singapore girl, in the recent borough elections in England.

This inspiring appeal, entitled "We can really do something at last", in which Miss Jackson stirs the young wives and mothers of Britain to utilise to advantage their tremendously important share in the government of their particular city or borough, was given prominence in the headlines of one of England's leading newspapers, the "Daily Mirror."

EXPERT MILLINER

Miss Daphne Jackson, or to give her correct name, Mrs. Daphne Almey, is twenty-four years old and an expert milliner. She is the daughter of Mr. H.L. Jackson, who works in the R.A.F. Base, Selstar, and was born in Rangoon.

She came to Singapore when quite young and received her education in Raffles Girls' School, Singapore. She has been in England since 1933 and in June last year Miss Jackson married Mr. Bruce Almey, a journalist on the "Portsmouth Evening News."

Miss Jackson is no mean exponent of the art of journalism herself, as the following extracts from her eloquent appeal disclose.

"Listen to me you women of England! You want to clear up the muddling, the racketeering, and above all, the lethargy so characteristic of many councils. You've been complaining for a long time about their misdeeds, their heavy expenditure of your money. When your gas mask did not turn up you were furious with your council. Try to remember just how furious you were, and then realise that to-day you have the chance to do something practical about it. GO OUT AND DO IT."

THE CHOICE

"The crisis has at last brought home to millions of housewives the fact that borough councils do matter, and that your vote can really help to make your home safer."

"To-day don't bother whether a man is of any particular party. Ask yourself instead: What has he done? What type of man is he?"

Round About

A coolie wearing a clean, but well patched, suit walked hastily to the ship's gangway. On the first step a guard halted his advance, the boy pulled a letter from his pocket and poked it under the other's nose.

The guard would have nothing to do with the letter or boy and told him to be off.

Several times the young coolie attempted to mount the gangway with a few minutes interval between each charge.

Each time he was stopped. Finally he raced down the pier and spoke with another official who walk with him to the gangway and secured passage onto the ship for the coolie.

Mounting the steps the coolie planted a sharp kick on the guard's shins then ran up the steps into the vessel.

Needless to say he departed the ship by another gangway.



"Who are we looking at?"—Something other than horses appears to be attracting these two young men at the annual Happy Valley Races. (Photo by Leica).

BRUSHES BRING BEAUTY

Brushes and brushing are becoming more and more important as accessories to the modern art of accentuating feminine beauty.

Small complexion brushes work marvels in cleansing the sometimes roughened skin surfaces of the elbows, the knees, and the knuckles.

The eyelash brush, quite aside from its value in applying mascara, serves to help stimulate the growth of the lashes and to keep them in place.

Fingernail brushes are invaluable aids in removing the last fragments of dead and unattractive cuticle from the borders of the nails.

Long-handled bath brushes serve to condition the skin surfaces of the back which can be reached by no other means.

And the powder brush, a comparatively new arrival in the brush ensemble, effectively acts to prevent face powder from caking, and enables it to be spread so smoothly that this make-up material will cling to the face much longer than it would ordinarily.

BRUSHING HAIR

Of course, the hairbrush, one of the most thoroughly time-tested of all feminine grooming aids, should be first and foremost in our brush considerations.

Regrettably, however, ever since the time bobbed coiffures became the general preference, the use of the hairbrush has become a greatly neglected procedure—with this neglect often evidencing itself in a noticeable lack of hair lustre and pliability.

Bobbed hair should be brushed just as thoroughly as were the longer locks of yesteryear, even though this lengthy brushing procedure is no longer an every-morning necessity for snarl-removing purposes.

The beneficial results of very thorough hairbrushings are repeatedly demonstrated by the lustrous tresses of the ladies I know here in Hollywood.

Dorothy Lamour, one of the very few long-haired screen stars,

STRIPED HAIR

There is presumably no reason why hair should not be blue as well as black, but the transformation still causes a little sensation—at least when it is more than the prevalent blue-bagging of white hair. Even purple hair makes people look round, though this is a commoner way of dealing with the iron-grey hair that can be unbecoming.

White hair or very blonde hair is taken as a matter of course, so much so that nobody to-day talks about black hair any more than about black eyes. Thus hair is coloured, discoloured, corrugated, screwed, curled, turned into shavings, converted into wet string, moulded on the head, just as though it were something that did not grow but were extraneous to the head.

OPEN-AIR VOGUE

The open-air vogue gave rise to the sunburnt hair which, interestingly enough, was adopted by young men as well as by young women. Casting off their hats, they displayed splashes of yellow in the middle of dark hair; indeed, this possibility seemed the only saving grace of dark hair.

A still later development is striped hair. The bleaching element is put on in rows so that the head has a striped light-and-dark effect. It only remains to adopt the check or still more, to see how tartan hair can be compassed for those of the stronger nationalistic feelings.

naturally must brush her luxuriant hair regularly and thoroughly to keep it from matting, with a result that the value of this treatment as a hair-conditioner shows in the sheen and softness of her lovely locks.

On the other hand, we have such personages as Barbara Stanwyck and Katharine Hepburn, with their comparatively abbreviated tresses. Neither of these ladies are forced, primarily, to brush their hair daily in order to keep it free from entanglement.

And yet both Miss Stanwyck and Miss Hepburn spend just as much time brushing their shorter hair as Miss Lamour does her more-than-twice-as-long-locks.

I mention these two stars, not because they are Hollywood's sole appreciators of the merits of thorough hairbrushings, but because the hair of both Miss Hepburn and Miss Stanwyck is so exceptionally beautiful that their names spring into my thoughts at the mere mention of coiffures. As a matter of fact, I don't know even one star here in the film capital who is not such an appreciator.

CHOOSING A BRUSH

The choice of the brush used for the hair is of utmost importance. The bristles should be firm, but resilient. Medium length bristles are generally to be preferred to extra-long or very short ones. But the bristles should, not be thin and sharp at their ends, because needlelike bristles can be very injurious to the scalp.

For those of my readers who are not yet acquainted with the use of the powder brush, let me suggest that the powder should be dusted over the face in a liberal quantity, and the brush should then be lightly drawn across the skin to remove any powder surplus, and to clear the minute lines around the eyes, mouth, and nose.

Regularly employed as a finishing touch every time you apply your make-up, this most modern of brushing practices will result in the same type of satin-smooth complexion surface that is so glamorously apparent on the lovely faces of Hollywood's most alluring screen stars.

FRIDAY'S MENU

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Tea

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Barley Soup
Salad (Coleslaw)
Filet of Sole
Tartar Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas & Carrots
Brussel Sprouts
Apple Pudding, Lemon Sauce
Coffee

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Richard Leslie Davis, electrical and mechanical engineer, residing at Room 314 Kowloon Hotel, and Miss Ellen Clewer, of No. 6, A. O. D. Quarters, Kennedy Road.

Mr. Ng Chung-chew, merchant, of No. 32, Yik Yam Street, second floor, and Miss Mathilde Pang, of No. 13, Wongneichong Road.

Mr. Vadim Bonch, engineer, of No. 4 Fort Street, ground floor, North Point, and Miss Lydia Prilpucheff (Hutt) of No. 49, Kimberley Road, top floor, Kowloon.

Mr. Luk Wal-chuen, clerk of The Sincere Co., Ltd., residing at No. 132 Yee Kuk Street, second floor, Hungnam.

Mr. Leong Ngai, alias Leung Wan-him, clerk to Mr. Loke Yuen-lok, residing at No. 161, Saiyungchoi Street, second floor, Kowloon, and Miss Lee Wing-kee, of No. 202, Hai Tan Street, first floor, Kowloon.

Mr. Allan Robert Croft, naval rating, H. M. S. Rainbow, and Miss Lau Shun-wah, of No. 325, Hennessy Road.

WOMAN DIES AT 106

Mrs. Mary Stubbin, of Richmond, Surrey, who died recently, would have been 107 years of age on May 30. She was born in 1832 at Wokingford, Essex, and was a great-niece of Constable, the painter.

Her 106th birthday was celebrated with a party which the Mayor and Mayoress of Richmond attended.

Mrs. Stubbin became half-paralysed at the age of 82, but learned to walk again. Seven years ago she broke a thigh-bone in a fall.

Until a few weeks ago she was able to knit, write, and keep a diary.

NEWSETTES

Congratulations will be extended by his many friends to-day to Dr. Phoon Seck-wah on the occasion of his 42nd birthday.

Owing to inadequate equipment, the China-Burma air service was not inaugurated on Feb. 28 as arranged. Meanwhile, further preparations are being made.

A general meeting of the Hongkong Aquarium Society will be held on Tuesday, Mar. 14 at 7.30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Bank of East Asia Building, 3rd floor, Room 310, by kind courtesy of Miss O'Keefe.

One-time Postmaster-General of Canada and the "father of penny postage," Sir William Mullock, celebrated his 85th birthday on Jan. 19 in comparatively excellent health. Sir William was chief justice of Ontario courts for 30 years.

Dr. Lien Tsong-kyu, Chinese Medical Officer at Queen Mary Hospital, will observe his 32nd birthday to-day.

Lt.-Col. F. W. Utton, veteran of the Boer and Great War, who was a member of the Canadian Boley team many times, died in Toronto recently, aged 65.

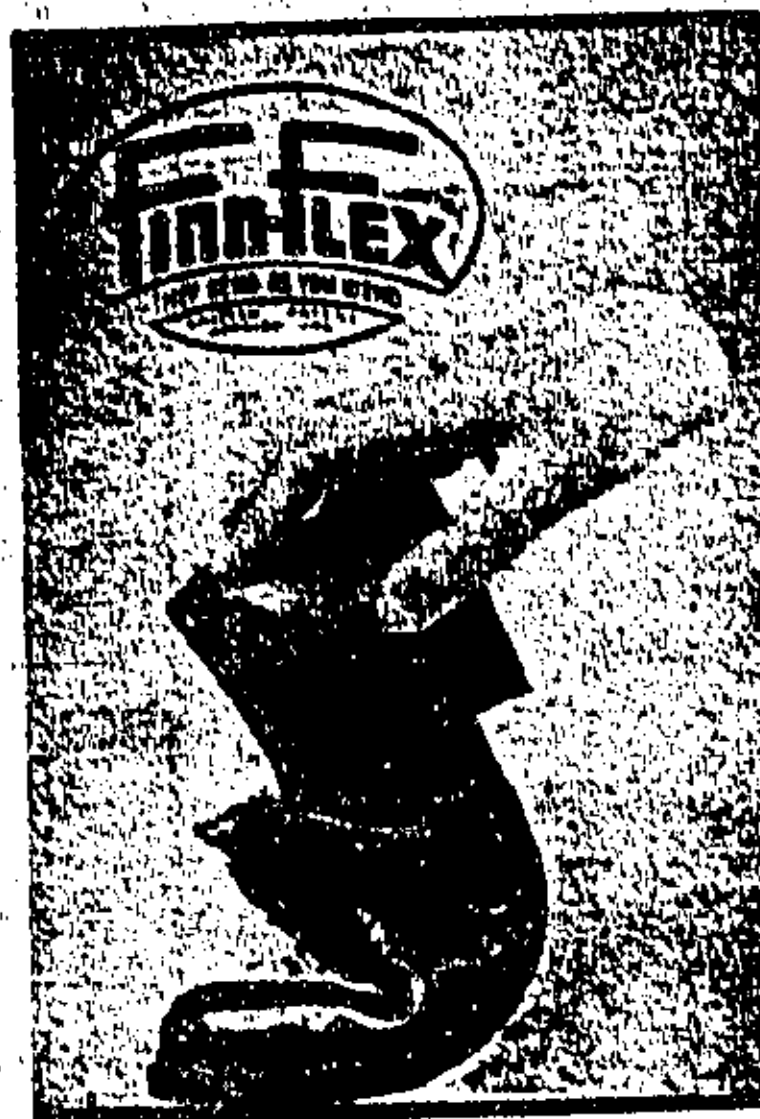
It is estimated Canada provides 5,000,000 Christmas trees annually for the home market and for export to the United States, making an off-season revenue to Canadian farmers of about \$500,000 yearly.

With the intention of making it a public museum, the Nova Scotia government has optioned the old home of Thomas Chandler Haliburton (1796-1865) better known as the humorous writer, Sam Slick, at Windsor, 45 miles from this Atlantic port.

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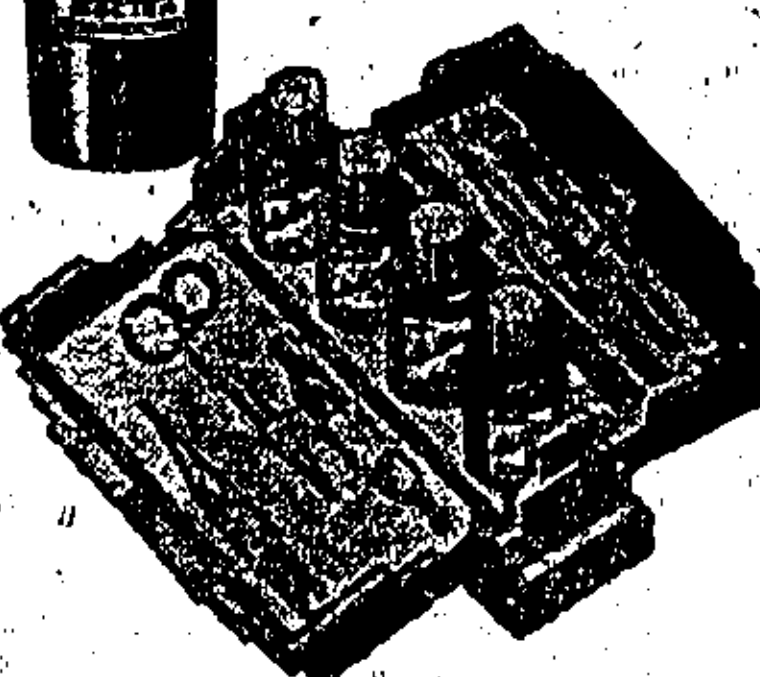
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- F6836 I wanna go back to Bali
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There are altogether 28 blocks to produce the photographs, and a group varying from four to five blocks will be reproduced daily in the paper as described above.

Collect the 28 blocks, assemble them to produce a combination photographic likeness of Laurel and Hardy, and then send your solution promptly to the Competition Editor, "Hongkong Daily Press," 319 Marina House, before 12 noon on Thursday next, March 16, 1939. Senders of the first ten correct solutions received will each be given a pair of tickets to see "BLOCK-HEADS."

The solution, together with the names of the winners, will be published next Friday. Our decision is final. Members of the staff of the "Hongkong Daily Press" and their families are barred from the competition.

Here are to-day's blocks:—



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An Excellent Variety Of Exhibits

A RECORD NUMBER OF ENTRIES WAS RECEIVED FOR THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, which opened at St. John's Place, Garden Road, opposite the Helena May Institute, yesterday afternoon.

The exhibits this year were unusually good, especially in the vegetable section. With greater space available, scope was also afforded for better display, and visitors were able to move about and view exhibits in greater comfort.

Judging commenced in the morning. The Banksian Medal for the competitor gaining the most prizes was won by the Hongkong Sanatorium and Hospital.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, who is President of the Society, accompanied by Mr. M. A. S. Northcote and attended by Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C., arrived about 4 p.m. and were received by Mr. J. T. Bagram, honorary secretary, and members of the Committee.

H.E.'s CONGRATULATIONS

The distinguished visitors evinced great interest in the various sections. After tea, Lady Northcote presented the prizes to the successful competitors, prior to which His Excellency said:—

Most of those present will have already seen the show, in which case they will not be surprised to hear that once again we have beaten all records so far as exhibits go both, I believe, in quantity and in quality at any rate. Mr. Bagram tells me that he has never seen a show equal to the present one during the last nine years.

We have a good many to thank for that. In the first place I suppose should come the Clerk of the Weather. The excellence of the Peak exhibit will have been particularly noted, and I understand that is due particularly to the relative absence of fog during the last winter.

EXHIBITORS THANKED

Secondly, I have to thank that devoted and, I am glad to say, growing band of exhibitors, who have again set themselves to sur-

pass their previous efforts. Last but certainly not least we have to thank the Committee for their able organisation and among them I will only single out two for mention.

One I have mentioned before, Mr. Bagram, and the other the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, Mr. Filippance, who has given willing and skilled help to the Society throughout his still short period of service here.

I am glad to be able to tell you that the Society is doing well but I wish to impress on the public at the same time that it could be helped to do much better. It has a membership of something like 250, but that is not a big number when regard is had to the size of Hongkong's population. There are not anything like enough non-growing members. A non-growing member is one who is a flower lover but has not the opportunity of making a garden.

It is not possible to live in Hongkong without realising how devoted its communities, especially the Chinese community, is to flower growing. I do urge all flower lovers seriously to consider the propriety of their joining this Society and the advantages which they would obtain thereby.

PROMOTE ART

Quite apart from their own personal gain they would know that they are helping to promote that art and science which they love. I have one or two especial remarks which I wish to offer on to-day's exhibits.

Here, where we stand, we can see the exhibit which has for the second year running won the bowl presented by my wife last year for the encouragement of horticulture. We cannot fail to congratulate Mr. Bagram on this magnificent display.

Once again I have had to mention Mr. Bagram's name and you may think it was superfluous of me to have spoken of encouraging him to grow flowers. However, he has won the bowl intended for that purpose and he deserves our congratulations. The other exhibitor whom I wish to mention is Mr. Ho Kom-tong whose exhibit of dwarf plants is so admirable that it has won without difficulty Lady Southorn's Cup.

SOCIETY'S GRATITUDE

Lastly I am instructed to express the Society's gratitude to certain persons or groups of persons: to the Commissioner of Police and to the Fire Brigade for what they have done to help the show; to Captain Moody and the officers of H.M.S. "Eagle" for the loan of their admirable band; to Mrs. Bagram who having won Lady Peel's Cup outright has given a new one in its place; to the Hongkong Tramway Company and the China Motor Bus Company for their help in advertising the flower show; to the donors to the prize fund, the judges and the censor and to all those who have given assistance in one way or another.

H.K. CHINESE Y.W.C.A.

Joint Campaign Opens To-day

For the first time the Hongkong Branch and the National Association are having a joint campaign for funds in Hongkong. The goal for the campaign is \$18,000 which will be divided \$10,500 to Hongkong and \$5,500 to the National Association. Dr. F. C. Woo, O. B. E. Treasurer of the local Y. W. C. A., and Mrs. Huang Shi Feng, past Chairman of the National Committee, are the two campaign chairmen. "The campaign opens to-night with a dinner for workers."

The Hongkong Y. W. C. A. is a self supporting organisation. Its work is not dependent on funds from abroad or from any other part of China. It does, however, bring to the notice of the community each year its programme and activities and ask for financial support.

WORK OF ASSOCIATION

A report has been issued of the work of the Hongkong association, showing that regular work has been going on side by side with much emergency work. Endless hours have been given by the members to making hospital supplies, quilted coats, warm underwear and to knitting. Money has been raised in all sorts of ways including very sacrificial thrift boxes which are collected monthly. The association has made an effort to discover and carry out work needed by the masses of refugees in the city, putting groups of specially trained young women in the Camps for welfare and educational work.

Regular work has expanded because in these days of stress the needs of girls and women are many. Nearly every one has problems exaggerated by the present situation. The hostel is overflowing, personal problem absorb long hours of secretaries' time. Students come for relief funds. Clubs and classes help hold morale high. Even in time of war youth looks to the future and leadership must be trained. Co-operation with many new emergency organizations is a necessary contribution to life to-day.

MANY REQUESTS

With the present shift in population towards the West and Southwest, there have come many requests for Y. W. C. A. work in new centres. In response secretaries have been sent in to survey interior cities and to talk over with residents the possibilities of developing Y. W. C. A.s. Both in Kunming and in Kweiyang, new Y. W. C. A.s have been organised during the last year, and both have received grants from the National Committee.

In some centres such for instance as Siam it has not been possible to organise a Y. W. C. A., but a local committee working with a secretary has developed an emergency centre.

With communications as difficult as they have been during the last year special efforts have to be made to maintain work. This can be done by increasing the local Y. W. C. A.s and by arranging for more travel and visitation by National secretaries.

The funds of the National Y. W. C. A. must be augmented to meet the demands on the budget made by this travel. In many of the local Y. W. C. A.s there are emergency secretaries supported by the National who are carrying on programmes of student relief, refugee work, and educational class for both city and rural women.

and lastly this gives me much pleasure—to the Government for lending this ground.

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BRITAIN NOT TO SPONSOR ARMISTICE

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—The British Government has made no representations to the Spanish authorities concerned in favour of an armistice," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, when replying to questions in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon.

He added that the Government was watching the situation, but did not consider it advisable at present to take the responsibility of sponsoring any particular terms for a settlement.

ASSAULT DENIED

At the continued hearing of the summons for assault against W. G. Routley, land bailiff, of the P. W. D., before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfarlane at the Kowloon Court yesterday, defendant denied all allegations of assault on Wong Man-ming, complainant, owner of the Hung Lee Dairy.

Defendant stated that when complainant took hold of a stick to hit him, he (defendant) made a rush at him and in doing so, he fell with complainant and his hand hit complainant's jaw.

Dr. E. L. Gosano and Dr. Tomlinson deposed to the injuries of the defendant.

The hearing was adjourned to Wednesday.

AIRPORT MOVEMENTS

The "Della," Imperial Airways' plane, left Kai Tak at 7.30 this morning for Bangkok with mail for all ports and two passengers, Mr. F. Stanek and Mr. N. Stenhouse.

The week-end inward service from Bangkok with mail from all ports and passengers is due in the Colony to-morrow afternoon about 4 o'clock.

The weekly inward service of Air France from Hanoi arrived at Kai Tak yesterday at 1.10 p.m.

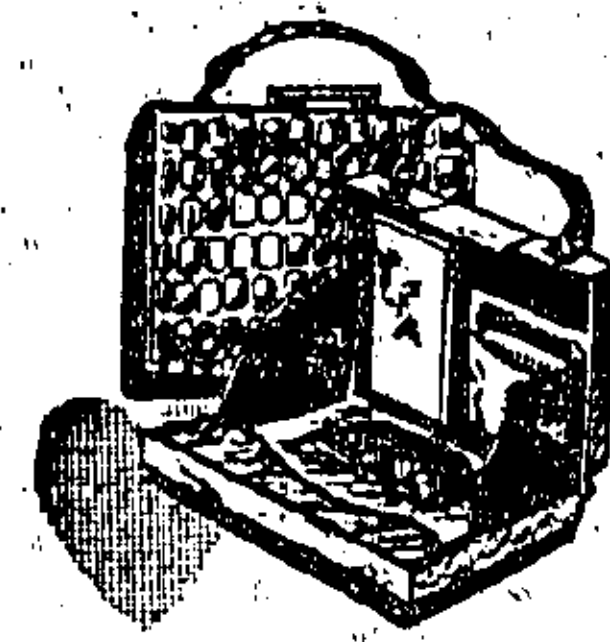
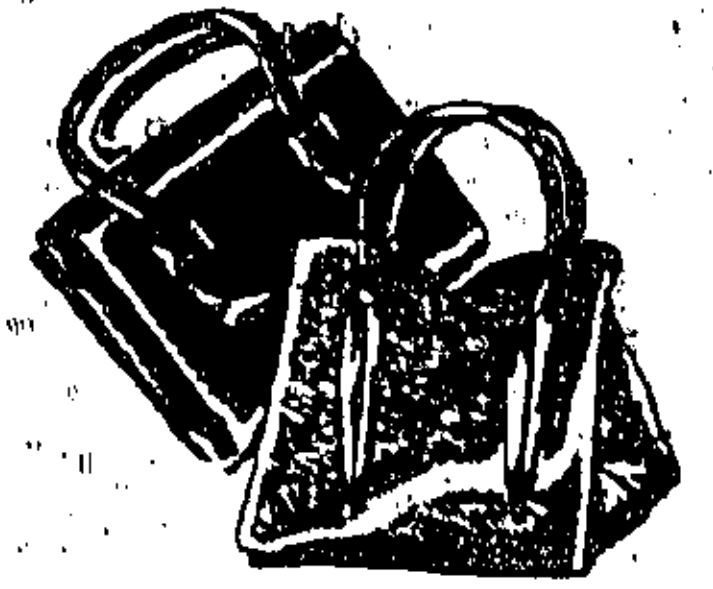
The return service of Air France to Hanoi will leave the Colony, to-morrow (Saturday) morning with passengers and mail. This is the first service of mail from the Colony travelling via this air line, and will be carried regularly in the future to and from Hongkong.

The Pan American Airways' China Clipper is due in Hongkong at noon to-day from America and Manila.

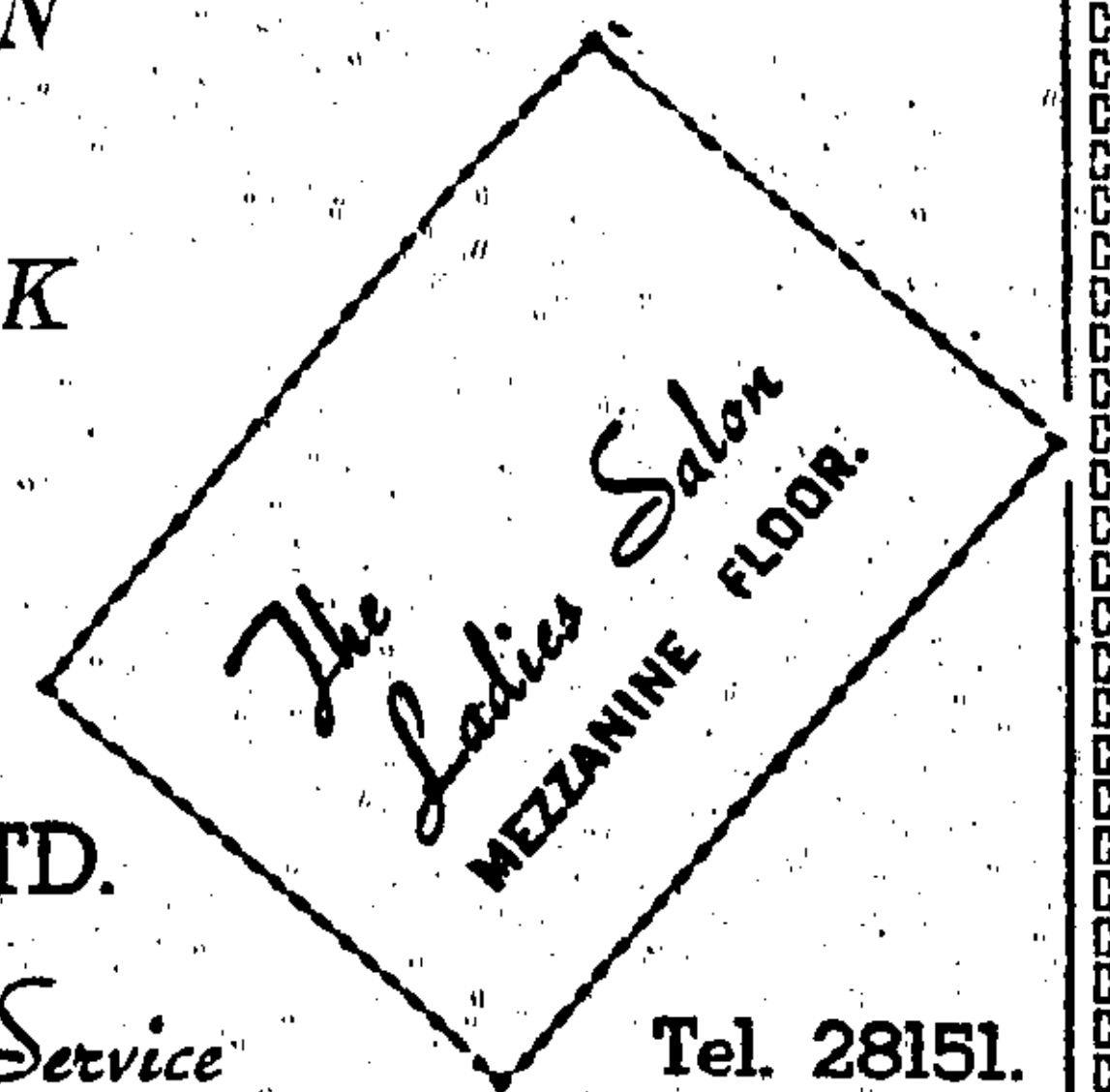
The return flight of this company will leave Kai Tak Saturday morning at approximately 8.30 o'clock.

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Malaria Shadow Over A Beautiful Island

There is a popular idea that Ceylon, the Pearl of the Indian Ocean, might have been the earthly Paradise. Those who enjoy the beauty of Nature will endorse this opinion, for even before the ship enters the port of Colombo, the capital of the island, one is struck by the beauty of the landscape. Above the yellow shore line is tropical foliage behind which rise the blue mountains, the latter being capped by a sky, which, at sunset, assumes the most ravishing shades.

The island is covered with luxuriant vegetation; coconuts and bananas grow there in profusion. The city of Colombo itself is very much like other places in India, but when one penetrates into the interior, traces of Buddha, whose influence remains, are still to be found.

Up on the mountains is the lake of Kandy, the city of the Sacred Tooth; it is said that this tooth is a molar that once belonged to the Prophet, Buddha.

Going a little further into the interior, where monkeys and elephants can be seen, we come to Anouradhapura and Polonnaruwa, the ancient royal Cingalese cities. Near Polonnaruwa is an enormous idol with the right hand above the head; this is Buddha in Nirvana. An impression of profound peace that is almost divine, seems to emanate from the face of this statue, which for centuries has been scorched by the sun and drenched by the rain.

But if we wish to contemplate this beautiful statue, we must cross a marshy region. About one third of the island consists of lakes and marshes,

relics of an artificial irrigation scheme that was carried out two thousand years ago. Besides crocodiles, malaria mosquitoes infest these regions. These mosquitoes are the shadow that looms over this earthly Paradise, for every year, many of the inhabitants of Ceylon die of malaria.

GOVERNMENT MEASURES

Thanks to the measures of the Government, including the distribution of quinine that is made to malarial subjects, the number of deaths is decreasing.

The short term quinine treatment recommended by the Malaria Commission of the League of Nations is meeting with great success. The duration of quinine treatment is thus reduced to 5 or 7 days during which period a daily dose of 15 to 20 grains of quinine is taken. As a preventive measure, it is advisable to take 6 grains of quinine each day throughout the entire fever season.

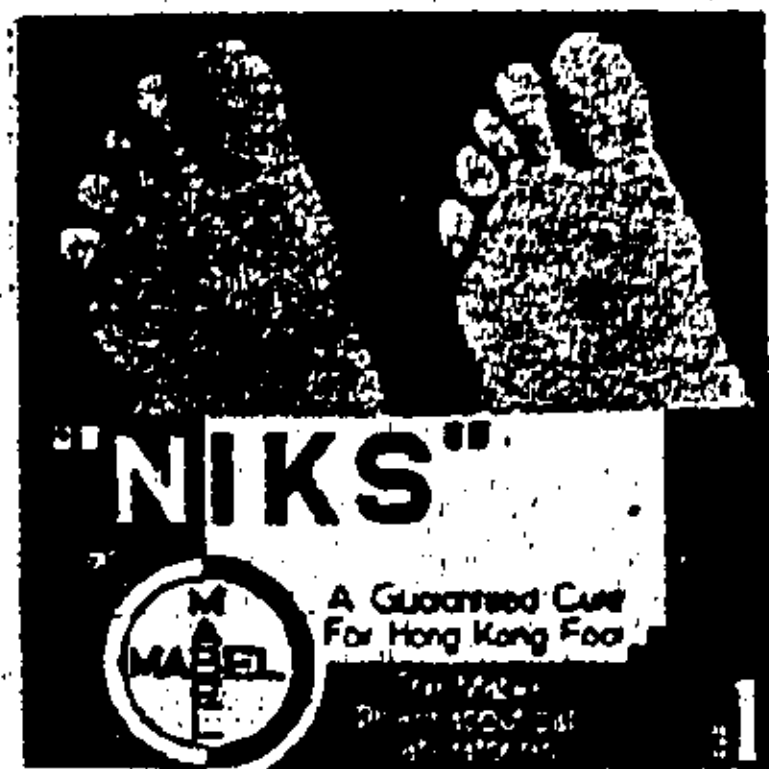
When this precaution is taken, it is possible to travel without danger in the beautiful island of Ceylon, and thoroughly enjoy all the beauties that it offers.

Hold on to HAIR HEALTH

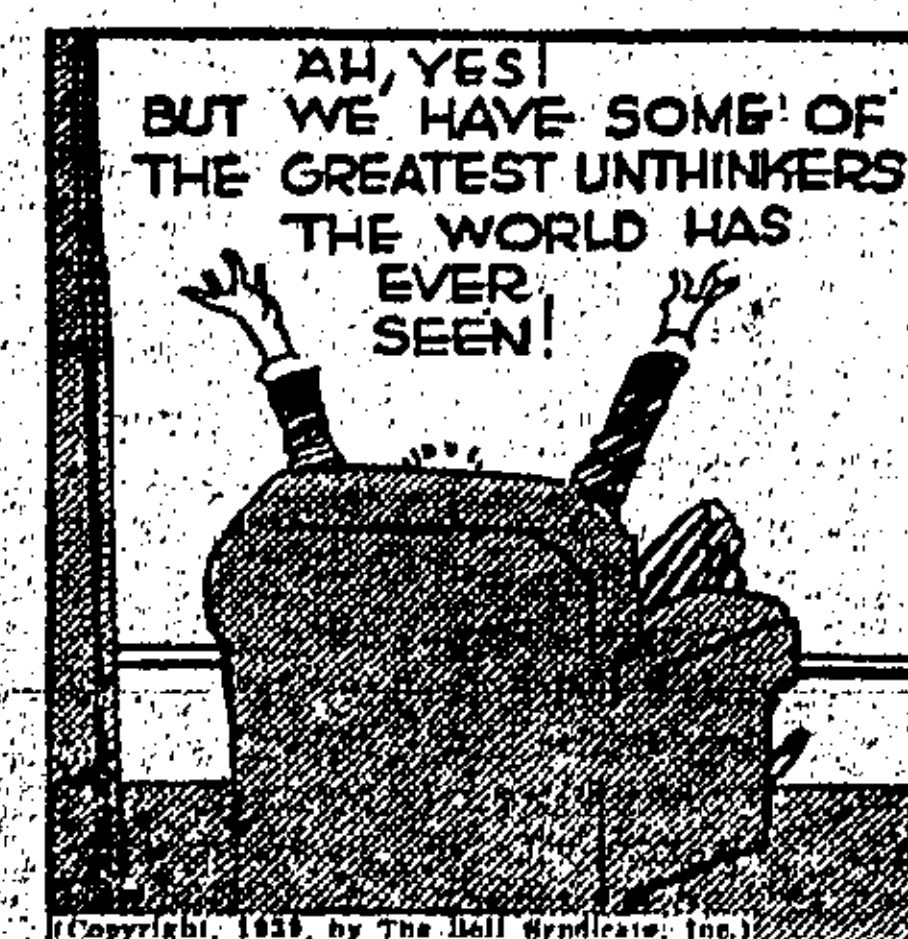
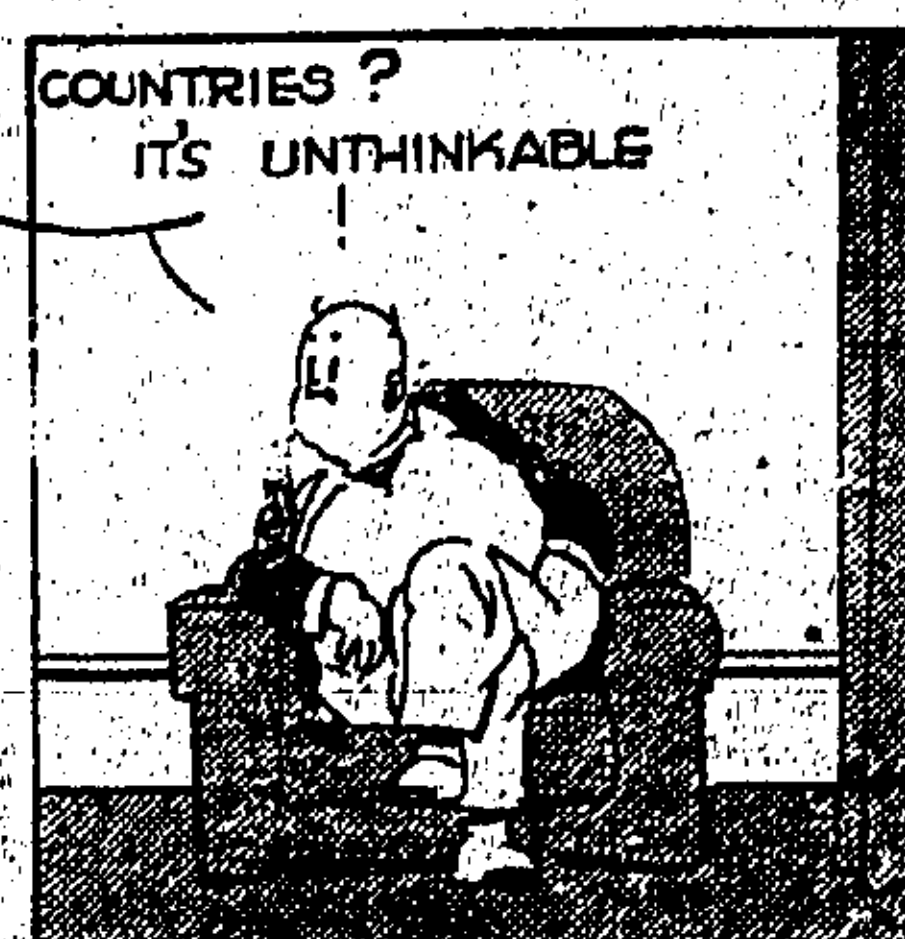
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CALL
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NOTICE is hereby given that a Call of \$1.00 per share has been made upon all members holding shares upon which \$5.00 per share only has been already paid, and will be payable on or before the 15th March, 1939 to the Bankers of the Company, Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

Dated 1st December, 1938.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

HERBERT R. STURT,
Managing Director.

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H.K. HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS & VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE opposite the lower Peak Tram Station on THURSDAY, the 9th MARCH, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and on FRIDAY, the 10th March, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lady Northcote has kindly consented to distribute the prizes on Thursday, the 9th March at 5.30 p.m.

Prizewinners are requested to attend in person to receive their prizes.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

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THE HONG KONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF &
GODOWN CO., LTD.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 4th March, 1939.

THE HONG KONG FIRE
INSURANCE CO., LTD.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS.

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers.
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1939.

CLAIM SEQUEL TO
GODOWN FIRE

Mr. Wong Yun-tong, managing partner of the Cheong Shing Hong, the plaintiffs, was further cross-examined when the hearing of the claim of \$30,000.00 against the China Underwriters, Ltd., was resumed at the Supreme Court yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Plaintiffs are claiming the sum stated as the rateable proportion of loss to be borne by defendants as the result of a fire in plaintiffs' godown in January 1938, but the defence alleges that alterations to prices in the books of the plaintiff firm were fraudulent and were made to get more money than was legally due.

The defence also alleges that certain goods on which claims have been filed were not in the godown at the time of the fire.

Mr. Eldon Potter K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings and Co., represent the Cheong Shing Hong, while the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida e Castro Jnr. and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton, of Messrs. Deacons, are for the defence.

In answer to Mr. D'Almeida, witnesses yesterday denied that the figures of items in the claim were higher than the market price or that there had been alterations in the Order Book. The book was never altered after the representative of the defendant company had seen it, stated witness. The claim was filed before the book was handed to defendants. Witness suggested that the alterations had been made at the time of entry. Hearing will be resumed to-day.

COLONY HEALTH
RETURNS

Sixteen cases of tuberculosis were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 8, in addition to ten cases of measles, four cases each of diphtheria and dysentery, two cases of enteric fever and one case of cerebro-spinal fever.

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BRITISH
CREDITS
FOR CHINA

NO GREATER TRIBUTE could have been paid to the Chinese Government and to the financial leaders of the Republic than the confidence which has been reposed in them by the bankers of Great Britain. The mere fact that credits totalling £10,000,000 have been extended for the purpose of maintaining China's currency is evidence of the implicit faith of the British people in China's ability to withstand the determined assaults which have been made on her currency by a relentless invader.

OF THE TOTAL, British banks will put up one half and H.M. Government will guarantee them against possible losses. The scheme is in no way linked with any stipulation in respect of interest on payments of loans previously concluded by the Chinese Government. On the contrary, it is pointed out that no actual default on China's Customs loans has yet occurred and that China has also successfully met all other dues in an honest and honourable manner. And there is no reason to believe that, in spite of the crushing burden of the Sino-Japanese war and the loss of some of her most valuable territory, China will dishonour any of her engagements.

THE BRITISH CREDITS are an inter-bank transaction between two of the most important British trading banks and two of the most important Chinese commercial banking houses in the Far East.

THE JAPANESE have made determined attacks, without any measure of success, on China's currency in North China. They were so confident of success that they went so far as to name March 10 (to-day) as the day when China's national currency would be invalidated. Nevertheless, at the present moment, the national currency of the Republic stands at 2.7 per cent. higher than the puppet note in Tientsin!

WE IN HONGKONG are happy that China's currency has been stabilized in this manner since, as a shipping entrepot, we depend upon the continuation of trade with China. Stabilization of China's currency will also benefit other British possessions, including India, which no doubt will share in the trade resulting from the opening up of that vast hinterland, China's western provinces.

TRIBUTE must be paid to Sir John Simon, to whose Chancellorship of Exchequer has fallen the lot of carrying out the measure which will be popular not only in England but throughout the British Empire.

ON THE CHINESE SIDE, congratulations must go to those financiers like Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, and Dr. T. V. Soong, Governor of the Bank of China, for the able manner in which they have upheld the integrity of China's trade and national finances in the best tradition of the Chinese people.

The Dutch Minister in Rio de Janeiro, Schuller Tot Feursum, will, according to the "Algemeen Handelsblad," be appointed Minister in Burgos. The paper adds that Gen. Franco has already informed the Netherlands Government of his agreement to this appointment.

CORRESPONDENCE

DAILY PRESS FUND
FOR WOUNDED

To The Editor of the "Hongkong Daily Press.

Sir,—Many thanks for your kind co-operation in assisting Madame Sun's appeal of the 2nd instant for more funds and medical supplies in aid of the Chinese Red Cross League.

We, the majority of Asiatic staff of the Waterworks Office, P. W. D., feel that we ought to do a little bit to help in too.

Herewith enclosed is cash H. K. \$20.65, a small amount contributed by our staff for the above purpose. Kindly acknowledge receipt and, if possible, try to inform the writer of the proceeds in due course.

JOSEPH LEE,
Sponsor.
Acknowledged with thanks. We shall keep you informed.—Editor.

TOURIST LINER
PASSENGERS
ENTERTAINED

The Rose Room in the Peninsula Hotel last evening was comfortably crowded with Hongkong residents, the guests from the world cruise liner, Empress of Britain, and visitors from other vessels in port. Everyone was enjoying the appetizing dinner menu and the music of Art Carneiro and his Band.

The latest designs in spring dinner gowns floated about the dance floor on young and old ladies, Plo-Ulki's Tango Orchestra provided the rhythm for many of the dances.

And with their coffee the dinner dance guests gave their attention to the interesting artists La Peri and Jean Var, whose entertainment is most cosmopolitan and which was certainly enjoyed by the international gathering.

Many remarks were made regarding the beauty of the Peninsula's ball room and roof garden, the view from the many windows and the excellent menu.

Dancing was continued until 2 a.m.

ANNUAL MEETING
OF UNION CHURCH

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Union Church was held at the Church Hall last night, Mr. S. V. Boxer, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

On behalf of the members, Mr. Boxer thanked the Rev. K. MacKenzie Dow for his services in the past year.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follow:—Trustees:—M. F. Key, A. Ritchie, E. Himsforth, W. L. Alexander, J. Minnie, A. K. MacKenzie.

Committee of Management:—S. V. Boxer, Elliott, Gilroy, J. Lawrie, A. McKellar, G. Thomas, Wooding, P. D. Willson, Mrs. W. Robertson, Mrs. C. Lamb, and Mrs. C. B. Brown.

Hon. Treasurer, W. L. Alexander; Hon. Secretary, E. Himsforth.

Ladies' Committee:—Messdames K. Mackenzie Dow, C. H. Lamb, C. Brown, A. B. Purves, I. Shaw, J. R. Selby, S. V. Boxer, Nimmo, Prophet, and I. W. Lang.

Deacons:—R. B. Bell, S. V. Boxer, Dr. R. M. Alderton, E. Himsforth and J. Lacey.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE
A.R.P. EXAMINATIONS

The following have passed the A.R.P. Grade 1 Instructors' Course (External):—Mrs. G. M. V. Lambert, Miss Betty Fair, Passed for A.R.P. Certificate—Madame J. A. Dumon.

First Aid Lectures in Chinese (for Women) commence on Wednesday, Mar. 15 at 7.30 p.m. at Headquarters.

First Aid Lectures in Chinese (for Men) commence on Thursday, March 23 at Headquarters.

First Aid Lectures in English will be announced shortly.

A.R.P. General Public—Friday, Mar. 24 at 7.30 p.m.

A.R.P.—Instructors' Course (Voluntary Aid) in English commencing Friday, March 24 at 5.45 p.m. at Headquarters.

These classes are open to all.

According to an announcement made in Communist circles, the Executive Committee of Comintern will hold a special session on Mar. 15 to discuss the general world-political situation and particularly the present situation in Europe. It is believed, however, that the Spanish problem will be the chief topic of these discussions. (T.O.)

BASIS OF CULTURAL
RAPPROCHEMENT

In the lives of nations there are three elements which constitute intercourse. They are political, commercial and cultural. One hears of cultural societies, political alliances and commercial agreements. And of the three the most lasting are those contacts and exchanges of a cultural nature. In the Chancelleries of the world one hears debated, in much the same way as one debates which came first—the chicken or the egg—whether cultural rapprochement should pave the way for a political and commercial intercourse or whether the latter are a necessary pre-requisite for contacts between the cultural institutions of nations.

I remember having had long content. And in order to appreciate and be appreciated Intellectual China owes it not only to itself but to world progress to make an accurate study of that culture.

The admirable policy initiated by Sir Andrew Caldecott and now being continued by the present Government of Hong Kong is a real understanding between Chinese and British cultures, with the result that, among the Cantonese, there was a feeling that the interests of the British ran only to trade, profits, and sport.

BY PERCY CHEN

Until the coming of these two progressive administrators, little was done by their predecessors to encourage a real understanding between Chinese and British cultures, with the result that, among the Cantonese, there was a feeling that the interests of the British ran only to trade, profits, and sport.

It is now common knowledge that Mr. Wang Ching-wel expressed this information in his capacity of Foreign Minister and the present Ambassador to Moscow, Gen. Yang Chieh, was severely censured when, as the head of a military mission, he recommended that the Russian offers be considered. On the initiative of Wang Ching-wel, Gen. Yang Chieh was exiled to London for a period of time.

RUSSIANS PERSISTED

The Russians at this time persisted in the view that political rapprochement should precede that of a cultural nature. At that time I was of the opinion, and said and wrote so, that, in view of the peculiar history of the contact between the Soviet Russian State and the Chinese Republic, it was essential that a cultural understanding be encouraged which would clarify the substance of the Socialist State and Economy to the ruling circles in China.

In my opinion, it was impossible for any political or economic rapprochement to take place so long as the leaders of China, and the broad intellectual masses, failed to understand scientific Marxism which is the basis of the culture of Soviet Russia.

PERSONAL INTERESTS

It was well for Dr. Sun Yat-sen to have declared in 1923 that there was no economic or political basis for "communism" in China. To him it was clear but to many of his followers, who did not possess either his genius or political background, the danger of "communism" meant anything against their own personal real or imagined interests.

From the side of the Russians it was only by the persistent policy of Stalin in reference to the Far East and to China that has enabled us to place our relations with the great Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on a basis that will make for peace and progress in the Far East and on the basis of true democracy between nations.

On the side of the Chinese leaders, the struggle for an understanding with Soviet Russia was a stern one against the reactionary forces inside the Chinese Government and without. But the moment that the veil of obscurantism surrounding the aims of the Communist Party and its attitude towards the welfare of the nation was pierced, the leaders of the Kuomintang quickly adopted an attitude of toleration which was one of the actual principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the principle of Democracy.

ECONOMIC TENDENCIES

Socialism in the form in which it is practised in Soviet Russia is the development of certain economic tendencies which were carefully nursed by this Government to fruition. And M. Molotov, the Prime Minister of Soviet Russia, is able to state that "99 per cent. of the total snow area of peasant farms are cultivated under a socialist form of the collective farm." And the land tilled by the collective farm has become vested in perpetuity and free of rent, lease or encumbrance under the Constitution.

So the task for China's intellectuals is no light one. In addition to the process of modernization, they are faced with the need for the correct understanding of two systems of economy and the exact relation to our own cultural, political and economic heritage. Our great neighbour on our four thousand miles frontier ranging from the Sea of Japan to the impregnable mountains of Central Asia is developing a new culture nationalistic in form and socialistic in content.

Intellectual China is fortunate in its position to have established contacts of a cultural nature, the fusion of which may give the world that synthesis of human culture which will enable humanity to fulfil the function for which it was created—to live in peace on earth.

G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 13th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
197	4129	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4129, Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4037, Tong Mi Road, Tai Kok Tsui.	As per sale plan.	About 5,184	96	15,669

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
198	420	Rural Building South of Rural Building Lot No. 385, Mount Cameron Road.	As per sale plan.	About 32,400	203	8,688

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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REORGANIZATION PLANS FOR BRITISH ARMY

Colonial Establishments To Be Increased

LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—Increases in the army personnel in Hongkong, Singapore and Ceylon were mentioned by Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary of State for War, when he presented the Army Estimates in the House of Commons on Mar. 8.

In this connection, Mr. Belisha stated that Chinese and Indians would be recruited in Hongkong to increase the personnel by about 1,000 and that the Malay and Indian establishments at Singapore would be increased by a similar number.

HOME DEFENCE
After announcing the various reorganizations and increases in personnel, Mr. Belisha concluded by saying: "Home defence is once again our foremost obligation and it is receiving the attention and development, which will give, so far as can humanely be contributed, our people that security against an invasion which they are determined to achieve."

Earlier in his speech, dealing first with the current financial year, Mr. Belisha said that five anti-aircraft divisions had replaced the two which formerly existed, and a corps headquarters had been established to control them. Whole-time administrative and maintenance assistance available to anti-aircraft units had been increased.

OVERSEAS DEFENCE
Dealing with defence in overseas ports, Mr. Hore-Belisha said that local personnel was being enlisted wherever possible. The War Office has arranged for the addition of 1,100 Maltese gunners to the existing establishment, and they were forming a depot at Malta for training recruits, both Maltese and British units.

They would increase the Malay and Indian establishments at Singapore by about 1,000, and the Chinese and Indian personnel in Hongkong by the same number.

RECRUITING
Dealing with recruiting Mr. Belisha mentioned that they had effective in all ranks, exclusive of British troops in India and



Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary of State for War.

Burma, 531,353, representing an increase of 83,000 over 12 months ago.

They had taken 40,000 recruits during the current financial year—a period when the demands of the Navy and Air Force had been more than doubled since 1936.

The shortage would be 16,000 on the present establishment at March 31, but a slight improvement in recruiting would overtake this in the next financial year.

MOBILISATION PLANS
Dealing with mobilisation plans, Mr. Hore-Belisha said that within four days 260 mobilisation centres would be open to serve all the fighting forces.

All arrangements at these centres had been made, and the British Legion had offered help in providing extra army recruits and clerks. All recruits, after mobilisation, excepting those undertaking a normal engagement, would be enlisted in the territorial army for the duration of the war.

FILM STAR DISAPPEARS FROM STUDIO

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—The President of Warner Bros., interviewed by Reuter, said that his company was offering \$500 to anyone locating the film star, Errol Flynn, who has not been heard of by the studio for the past fortnight.

Lily Damita, Flynn's wife, is reported to have stated that she knew nothing about her husband's whereabouts. She added that she had unsuccessfully tried for a week to get into contact with him.

Warner Bros. studio is most concerned over his disappearance.

JAPAN'S ACTIVITIES IN BURMA

CHUNGKING, Mar. 9 (Int'l).—The anti-British movement in Burma is traced to the door of the Japanese, according to a semi-official report released here. It said that Japanese naval vessels, disguised as fishing boats, recently transported munitions to Bassein Harbour for a Burmese revolutionary leader, who has just been freed from prison.

It is said that a large number of Japanese Buddhist monks, nuns, merchants and students trained in colonial affairs, have recently gone to Burma to engage themselves in anti-British movements.

H.K. CANTON RAILWAY SERVICES
LONDON, Mar. 9 (Reuter).—When pressed, during question time in the House of Commons yesterday, regarding prospects for the resumption of railway and steamer services between Hongkong and Canton, Mr. R.A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, referred to his previous answer on the subject and added that he was not in a position to say when the resumption of the railway services could be predicted. The matter was being discussed between the British Consul-General in Canton and Japanese authorities.

PATRIOTIC PLAY AT ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' COLLEGE

Performance To-night And To-morrow

The Y's Men's Club and St. Paul's Girls' College will present a play in Cantonese entitled "The Previous Night" at St. Paul's Girls' College, 33, Macdonnell Road, commencing to-night at eight o'clock with a second performance to-morrow night, under the direction of Mr. Li Mok-lung. It is a patriotic play and depicts the intrigues of a traitor whose activities weave a net around himself and results in his own destruction.

The play is not devoid of romance and the full dress rehearsals held during this week give promise of a successful show, both histrionically and financially. The following is the cast:—

Characters
Lau Chai Sing (Pak's assistant).
Pak Chi San (Mayor of Tientsin).
A Traitor.
Mrs. Pak Chi San (nee Cheng Man Huen).
Miss Pak Ching Hung (Pak's niece).
Lam Kin Ping (Miss Pak's lover).
Lee Kwai (Pak's servant).
Yeung Ng Yeh (Pak's friend).
Cheung King Hin (Pak's friend).
Hotel Boy.
Blackcoat Man (Lofer No. 1).
Greycoat Man (Lofer No. 2).
Siu Pu (waiter).
Chu Chuk Kwan (patriot).
Madam Wong (a patriot).
Miss Li (a patriot).
Sun Lap Kwan (a patriot).
Lofer.

Played By
Miss Huen Pui Lin.
Li Wai Ching.
Ng Ngai Lin.
Soo Man Ngoo.
Chue Sau Kam.
Tong Yee Lan.
Wong Sam Lin.
Lo Jau Sim.
Ng Wai Que.
Chau Min Ying.
Poon Yuen Lim.
Lee Pui Ping.
Leung Sai Lin.
Mok Sau Wah.
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Misses Kwok Ki Chau Miu Ying and Poon Yuen Lim.

The show is under the patronage of the Bishop of Hongkong, the Right Rev. R. O. Hall, and Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, C.M.G., and is in aid of the South China Refugees' Industrial Workshop, the Ministering Children's League and other charities. Booking will be at St. Paul's Girls' College.

FLOWER SHOW PRIZE LIST

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The prize list is as follows:—
The Challenge Cups were won as follows:

Pot Plants (Open).—Mrs. F. Groves (Schizanthus).
Pot Plants (Peak).—Mrs. F. C. Hall (Carnations).
Vegetables (Open).—Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell (Lettuces).
Vegetables (Peak).—Mrs. F. C. Hall (Celery).

Cut Flowers (Open).—Mrs. Eu Tong-sen (Carnations).
Cut Flowers (Peak).—Mrs. F. C. Hall (Sweet Peas).

Lady Peel Challenge Cup.—Mrs. J. K. Bousfield (Annuals).

Lady Northcote Challenge Bowl.—Mr. J. T. Bagram.

Lady Southern Cup.—Mr. Ho Kom-tong.

Marguerite (Chrysanthemum frutescens).—Hongkong Jockey Club.

2. H. E. the Governor.

Nasturtium (Tall single or double varieties).—1. Hongkong Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. L. Dunbar.

Salvia (Splendens).—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Annuals or Plants.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; h.c. Mrs. A. E. Lissaman.

Annual or Plants.—1. Mrs. F. Groves; 2. Mrs. Lissaman; h.c. Mrs. W. T. Stanton; h.c. H.E. the Governor.

Arums.—1. Mrs. A. Raymond; 2. H. E. the Governor.

Antirrhinum.—1. H.K. Jockey Club; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Begonia.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; 2. Dr. Arthur W. Woo.

Ceranium.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Dahlia.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. W. T. Stanton.

Heliotrope.—1. H.K. Jockey Club; 2. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Petunia.—1. H.K. Jockey Club; 2. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Verbena.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Maria (Tall varieties).—1. Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell.

Cineraria.—1. Mrs. L. Dunbar; 2. Dr. J. Canaval.

White or Cream Freesia.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Arums.—1. Mrs. A. E. Grasett.

Phlox Drummondii.—1. R. D. Gillespie; 2. Mrs. W. T. Stanton.

Roses.—1. Mrs. W. T. Stanton; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Dianthus.—1. H.K. Jockey Club; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Perpetual Carnations.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

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Maiden Hair Ferns.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

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Asparagus Plumosus or Sprengerii.—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. E. J. R. Mitchell.

Mignonette.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

French Marigolds.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; 2. Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Larkspur.—1. R. D. Gillespie; 2. Mrs. A. Raymond.

Nasturtium.—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. Mrs. A. Raymond.

Double Nasturtium.—1. Lady Ho Tung.

Pansies.—1. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital; 2. Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell; c. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Violeta.—1. Mrs. A. Raymond; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Stock.—1. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen; 2. H.K. Sanatorium and Hospital.

Primula (Malacoides).—h.c. Mrs. L. Dunbar.

Annuals, Perennials.—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. H.E. the Governor; c. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen.

Marguerite (Chrysanthemum frutescens).—1. Mrs. John Fleming; 2. Mrs. F. C. Hall; 3. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

Nasturtium.—1. E. E. Story; 2. Mrs. A. W. Hughes; 3. Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Salvia (Splendens).—1. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

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Ceranium.—1. Mrs. J. Scott Harston; 2. W. J. S. Key; 3. Mrs. E. C. Cock.

Dahlia.—1. Mrs. A. W. Hughes; 2. Mathilda Hospital; 3. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

Heliotrope.—1. Mrs. N. L. Smith; 2. Mrs. A. W. Hughes; 3. Sir Robert Ho Tung.

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Verbena.—1. J. W. S. Key; 2. Mrs. J. Scott Harston; 3. A. Nicol.

Linnaria (Tall varieties).—1. Mrs. J. K. Bousfield; 2. Mrs. J. Scott Harston; h.c. Mrs. A. W. Hughes.

Cineraria.—1. Mrs. A. W. Hughes; 2. Mathilda Hospital; 3. Mrs. D. C. Edmondston.

Table Decorations.—1. Mrs. S. P. Williamson; 2. Miss Compton; 3. Miss Laurence.

Freesia.—1. Mrs. J. K. Bousfield; 2. Peak Club; h.c. Mrs. F. C. Hall.

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Double Nasturtium (Dwarf varieties only).—1. Sir Robert Ho Tung.

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Cut Flowers.—1. Mrs. J. K. Bousfield; 2. Sir Robert Ho Tung; 3. Mrs. J. Scott Harston.

Sweet Peas.—1. Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2. Sir Robert Ho Tung; h.c. Mrs. J. Scott Harston.

Antirrhinum.—1. Mrs. A. W. Hughes; 2. Mrs. J. Scott Harston.

Carnations or Picotees.—No award.

Cactus Dahlias.—1. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

Dahlias other than Cactus.—1. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

Mignonette.—1. Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2. Mrs. J. Scott Harston; h.c. Mrs. N. L. Smith.

Pansies.—1. Mrs. J. Scott Harston; 2. Mathilda Hospital.

Violeta.—1. Mathilda Hospital; 2. Mrs. John Fleming.

Vase of Cut Flowers.—1. Miss Barbara Mansfield; 2. Mrs. C. Bernard Brown; c. Mrs. M. J. Leureux.

Cut Flowers for children under 13.—1. Master Zan Krok-moe; 2. Mrs. John Fleming; c. Miss Madeline Archibut.

A Display of Cut Flowers.—1. Mrs. R. E. Hoare.

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CONTROVERSY AT MEETING

Kowloon Tong Garden City Association

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Tong Garden City Association was held at the Clubhouse yesterday, Mr. F. W. Stapleton being in the chair.

The annual report showed an increase in the membership roll and the Club's good financial condition.

A controversy was raised at the meeting on the status of non-voting members of the Club, Mr. H. A. Castro, a non-voting member, offering the suggestion that two of three non-voting members be elected to serve on the committee. Consideration of the suggestions by the incoming committee was promised.

The following members were elected to the new committee: H. Gittins, F. W. Stapleton, L. A. Osmund, Dr. B. de Souza, Lee Kam-ming, Chan Yip-cho, A. J. Kew, J. N. Wong, Peter S. Wong, Wong Chak-nam, H. F. Un, A. Spary, Q. T. Chen, Mok Lin Kwang, Sum-man, Dr. Kwan Sum-yin and A. Cheung.

POLICE REPORTS

The theft of a revolver, clothing and jewellery to a total of \$393 from 12 South Bay Road, Repulse Bay, during Wednesday, has been reported to the police by Mr. R. D. Gillespie.

The theft of a watch valued at \$134 from his residence has been reported by Cheung Chau-sing, of 5 Wing Lok Street, Central district.

"The Shining Hour," the new A.D.C. production of the play by Keith Winter, played to a very good audience on its second night at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night. The play will be staged again to-night and to-morrow night at 9.15 p.m.

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SHORTAGE OF TROOPS

Japanese Attack Delayed

From Our Own Correspondent
CHUNGSHAN, March 8.—Japanese threats to attack Wukow, important city on the East River, and Pok Lo, on the north bank of the same river, failed to materialize today, apparently owing to the shortage of troops, a portion of which had been transferred to Hainan Island.

The enemy also threaten to advance along the West River from Samshui, where the number of troops has been increased, following the arrival of colonial forces from Formosa. The erection of pontoon bridges on the West River and the daily reconnaissance of the scouting planes are intended to convey the impression that the Japanese mean business.

In Hainan Island, a report from Chungking stated that the Japanese have lost about one thousand men since they landed on the island. Prepared by Gen. Chen Cheng, the Director of the Political Department, the report stated that Chinese resistance has increased in intensity and checked further advance of the invaders who are hemmed in the mountainous areas.

LULL MAINTAINED
In spite of the Japanese menace and propaganda, the lull has remained up to yesterday afternoon. Taking advantage of the stalemate, Gen. Li Hon-wan, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, is doing everything possible for the relief of victims from the war zones and others affected by the war. He saw the sufferings with his own eyes, having fought big battles with the Japanese on the Lunglai Railway and Nanchang-Kiukang Railway.

The London "Gazette" announces that H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester has been appointed Grand Prior of the order of St. John of Jerusalem in the British Realm, in place of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught who has resigned.

BRITISH HOSPITAL BOMBED BY JAPANESE PLANES

CHINESE NURSE KILLED: BUILDING DAMAGED

Walled City Of Ichang Completely Ruined

SHANGHAI, March 9 (Reuter).—Three direct hits were suffered by the Jenkin-Robertson Hospital of the English Baptist Mission when fourteen Japanese planes bombed Sian yesterday afternoon. A Chinese nurse was killed, but there were no foreign casualties.

STABILIZATION FUND WARMLY WELCOMED

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FRANCO-USA INTEREST

The "Financial Times" says that in London commercial circles importance is attached to the co-operation by all countries, with trade interests in China to avert the threatened further dislocation of the Chinese market and close contact is being maintained by French and American traders evidence of which is the fact that a representative of the Paris Chamber of Commerce attended a meeting of the China section of the London Chamber of Commerce on Monday when measures for the mutual protection of trading interests were discussed.

There is a general welcome for the idea of preventing further penetration of Japanese influence in China by financial assistance to the Chinese Government.

The report adds that the operating theatre, the X-Ray department and machine room and two wards were completely destroyed. The hospital was marked with two Union Jacks, one on the roof and the other on the ground, and these were clearly visible from the air.

WALLED CITY IN RUINS

A later message states that Reuter learned from unimpeachable neutral sources that the Walled City of Ichang, a Treaty Port on the Yangtze, was reduced almost completely to ruins as the result of two Japanese air raids—one on Mar. 7 and the other on Mar. 8—in the course of which a total of 60 bombs were dropped.

A message from Amoy gives the news that Japanese cruisers and planes from aircraft-carriers have been bombing the mainland and coastline opposite Amoy during the past two days.

The attacks, it would appear, were apparently concentrated on the Chinese positions and on the railway terminus at Chengchow. No attempt to land had, however, yet been made.

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THE SERVICES

ROYAL NAVY

PERSIAN GULF COMMAND
Captain C. M. Graham has been appointed to H.M.S. Shoreham for duty as Senior Naval Officer in the Persian Gulf in succession to Captain Allan P. D.S.O. The Shoreham is at present refitting at Malta, and during her absence the Persian Gulf Division is being administered by the S.N.O. from Basra.

COMMAND OF THE FEROUS
Commander G. A. French, who has been on the staff at the R.N. Staff College, Greenwich, during the past two years, will assume command of the aircraft-carrier Feroz, in succession to Commander I. H. Bockett-Frugh, who is joining the minelayer Adventure.

EDUCATION OF MARINES
The results obtained in the examinations for second-class certificates of education in the Royal Marines in November and December last showed substantial increases in the numbers who qualified.
In Group I, arithmetic and English, 288 men passed, or 67 per cent. of the candidates, this number comparing with 213 in the previous year. In group II, geography, imperial history, and citizenship, 135 men passed, or 47 per cent. of the candidates, compared with 121 in 1937. In addition 123 were awarded certificates for success in both groups, compared with 129 in 1937.

GREENWICH HOSPITAL PENSION
Engineer Rear-Admiral J. R. J. Pedrick, retired, has been awarded a Greenwich Hospital pension of £100 a year in the vacancy created by the death of Engineer Rear-Admiral R. B. Frison, retired, on January 2.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS
The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—
Payr. Capt.—L. N. Sampson, M.V.O., Payr. Cdr.—N. Y. Clay, to Victory (Feb. 22).

Lt. Cdr.—M. Hodges, to Victory for Sig. Sch. (March 23); J. Liddell, to Warspite (March 24); P. V. James, to Wryneck, in command (March 1), and to Wryneck (on reducing).
Lis.—E. W. J. Buckle, to Wildfire (Feb. 27); R. S. Brooke, to Gloucester (March 6); E. P. Baines, to Wryneck (March 1), and to Cornwall (on reducing).
Temp. Instr. Lt.—J. E. W. Berry, to President for cre. (March 6), and to Cornwall (March 15).

Sub-Lts.—G. A. Liversidge, P. H. May, to Wryneck (Feb. 27).
Mid.—H. G. Laird, to Royal Oak (Feb. 22).
Wt. Enr.—D. G. Thompson, to King George V. (Feb. 28).
Promotions
Cdr.—(E). Retd.—G. F. B. Oulley, to rank of Capt. (E). ret'd. (seny. Nov. 22, 1938).
Lis. (E). Retd.—C. G. Matthews, W. J. German, S. Dawson, to rank of Lt. Cdr. (E). ret'd. (seny. respectively, Feb. 2, 7, and 9).
Sub-Lts.—A. C. D. Leach, J. H. Stacey, J. K. L. Evans, D. H. Mason, A. T. Seymour-Haydon, P. C. B. Copland-Griffiths, to rank of Lt. (seny. Feb. 16).

THE ARMY

APPOINTMENTS IN INDIA
The Commander-in-Chief in India has made the following appointments at Army Headquarters:—

Colonel F. A. Corfield, D.S.O., O.B.E., from officiating as Inspector, R.I.A.S.C., is confirmed in the appointment.

Lieutenant-Colonel L. W. H. Mathias, D.S.O., I.A., is confirmed in the appointment of Deputy Director of Transport in the Q.M.G.'s Branch.
Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. R. G. Almond, D.S.O., 1st Battalion, The King's Regiment, as Assistant Adjutant-General for Personnel.
Lieutenant-Colonel A. W. B. Gompertz, I.A., as Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport in the Q.M.G.'s Branch, for Personnel.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. B. Evans, R.I.A.S.C., as Deputy Director of Transport (Mechanization) in the Q.M.G.'s Branch.
Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Toovey, M.C., I.A., to officiate as Assistant Adjutant-General for Mobilization and Recruiting.

Lieutenant-Colonel T. H. Waumsley, M.C., I.A., to officiate as Embarkation Commandant, Karachi service.
Major W. H. G. Beard, Captain R. N. F. Marks, and Captain G. T. Wheeler, I.A., as G.S.O.3 in the General Staff Branch.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

WING COMMANDER E. T. CARPENTER
The retirement is announced at his own request of Wing Commander E. T. Carpenter, A.F.C., senior signals staff officer in the Bomber Command at Uxbridge.

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12.00 to 12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. Richard Crooks (Tenor) and the Light Symphony Orchestra. "If I Should See A Rose (Shayon Shikre); Open Your Window To The Morn (Royden-Phillips) — Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra. Bal Masque (Fletcher); Mon Reve (Waldteufel) — Light Symphony Orchestra. When You're Away (The Only Girl) (Herbert); One Alone (The Desert Song) — Romberg) — Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra. Homage March (Haydn Wood); Concert Waltz "Joyousness" (Moods-Suite—Haydn Wood) — Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer.

1.00 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m. Stan Holloway, Vivian Ellis, and Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

Harry Roy's New Stage Show—Harry Roy and His Orchestra (Recorded at the actual performance at the Holborn Empire, London.) "Jonah And The Grampus (Marriott Edgar)—Humorous Monologue by Stanley Holloway. With Piano "On The Avenue"—Piano Medley (Berlin)—Vivian Ellis (Piano). "The Town Talks"—Piano Medley (Vivian Ellis)—Vivian Ellis (Piano).
1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Brahms—Concerto in D Major, Op. 77.
Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.15 p.m. Close down.
2.30 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) Have you ever been in heaven? (b) Gee! but you're swell. (c) Please be kind. (d) Don't be that way. 2.14 Record: Serenade In The Night (Kennedy, Cherubini); Old Sailor (Godfrey, Kennedy); The Street Singer (Arthur Tracy) with Instrumental Accomp. 2.21 (a) Stolen Heaven. (b) Ti-Fi-Tin. (c) Half Moon on the Hudson. (d) Carry me back to old Virginia. 2.35 Records: Black and White (George Botford); Woodland Flowers (Felix Buras); Viljo Vestermaan (Accordin Virtuosos). Rosetta—Slow Fox-Trot—Gerry Moore (Piano) with T. Carpenter, A.F.C., senior signals staff officer in the Bomber Command at Uxbridge.

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String Bass and Drums. 2.44 (a) It's Wonderful. (b) Oh! Boom. (c) Good-night Angel. (d) John Peel Swing. 7.00 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.
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a.m.
10.00—Broadcast to Schools—"Glimpses of English Literature" by A.A. Phillips (A).

10.20—Wheat and Grain Report (A).
10.40—"At Home and Abroad" (A).
11.10—Luncheon Music (A).
11.30—Afternoon Musical Programme (A).

p.m.
2.30—National Hunt Meeting at Cheltenham (D1).
2.50—Sonata Recital by Lance Dossor, pianoforte (D1).

3.20—Tiny Tots' Session (A).
3.35—"Play Time" with Jack Hylton and his Band (D1).
4.15—Recorded Music (A).
4.20—News (D1).

5.25—Commentary On News (A).
6.00—Jim Davidson's A.B.C. Dance Band (A).
6.25—Desmond Tanner at the Electric Organ (A).

6.45—Harry Fryer and his Orchestra (D2).
8.15—Dance Music by Eddie Carroll and his Orchestra (D2).

8.45—Hungarian Music, Played by Georges Bodinier and his Orchestra (D1).
9.00—"Food for Thought" (D2); Recorded Music (A); News Commentary (H1).

9.20—Summary of the day's news (A).
9.30—News (D2).
9.55—The Royal Kiltie Juniors (H1).
10.00—Sandy Macpherson, at B.B.C. Theatre Organ (D3).

10.15—Band of H.M. Royal Marines (D3).
11.00—Ballad Concert (D3).
11.25—"Play Time" with Jack Hylton and his Band (D3).
12.00—News (D3).

rimba) and Milt Herth (Organ); Xylophone—Joe Green (Xylophone) and Milt Herth (Organ). Comedians "The Lady and The Bottle; At The Zoo—Brad and Al with Piano Accomp. Dance Orch.—Where The Shannon Flows Down To The Sea—Waltz; The Umbrella Men—Waltz (from "These foolish things")—Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus. Vocal and Piano—You Belong To Dreamland (Gillroy); Let Me Whisper (Rosell and Heyman)—Turner Layton. Instrumental—This Is The Day Of Days (Dixon and Woods); Just A Crazy Song (Smith and Williams)—Eddie Peabody playing his Banjo, Guitar, Mandoline and Mando-Cello (With Own Vocal Chorus). With Piano. Dance Orch.—When A Gipsy Played—Tango; Tango Marina—Emil Rozsa and His Orchestra. Mammy's Lullaby—Waltz—The Great Brothers Marimba Band with Vocal by Donald Kil.

11.00 p.m. "Close down."

8.00 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m. Studio Talk "Opportunities offered through Women's Organizations for Service in Hongkong."
8.13 p.m. Music of East-Saens. "Samson and Delilah" — Scotty Arakos My Heart—Mile. G. Certay and Georges Thill with Orchestra. The Swan—Pablo Casals (Cello) with Piano accomp. by No. Mednikoff.

8.25 p.m. Rachmaninoff—Concerto No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 30.
Vladimir Horowitz (Piano) and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

9.00 p.m. London Relay—Food for Thought.
Three short talks on matters of topical interest.
9.20 p.m. Next week's programme.
9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m. Songs by Keith Falkner (Bartone).

Had A Horse (Hungarian Folk Song—Korby); Shepherd, See Thy Horse's Foaming Mane (Hungarian Folk Song—Korby)—with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore. Wings (film "Mayfair Melody")—with Orchestra and Chorus.

10.00 p.m. London Relay—Sandy Macpherson at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
10.15 p.m. New Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orch.—Somebody Stole My Gal—Quickstep; Ain't She Sweet?—Fox-Trot—Brian Lawrence and His Quartet with Vocal Chorus. Instrumental—Lady Of Madrid (Hargreaves-Damerell)—Joe Green (Octa-

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A SATISFACTORY YEAR: PROFITABLE RESULTS

Annual Meeting Of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

The fiftieth annual general meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. was held in Exchange Building yesterday, when the Chairman, Mr. J. H. Taggart, reported a satisfactory year's working.

Those present were:—Mr. J. H. Taggart (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. J. Scott-Harston, (Directors), Mr. T. C. T. Beck (Secretary), and Messrs. Fung Kwok-wa, Lo Yuk-tong, Kwok Yau-yau, Wong Man-ching, B. Wong Tape, P. H. Suckling, S. S. Harris, Lo Kai-wing, Lau Shu-chuen, A. H. Potts, F. E. Silva and Kong Man-shing.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said:—
“Gentlemen,—The annual meeting this year is of more than usual interest as it marks a period of fifty years since the inception of the Company, which was in fact incorporated in Hongkong in the year 1889. It is, therefore, a matter of satisfaction to your directors that, despite the vicissitudes with which your company has had to contend from time to time, particularly in recent years, they are enabled—on the occasion of the Company's Golden Jubilee—not only to record a satisfactory year of operation with profitable results, but also to present a balance sheet reflecting a position of financial stability.

“Turning to the accounts before you, it will be observed that after making the usual provision in respect of directors' and auditors' fees, and for the Company's donation to the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, the profit for the year amounts to \$404,515.62, which, added to the sum of \$178,084.15 brought forward from the preceding year, makes available an amount of \$582,699.77 to be dealt with.

“In the opinion of your board, this result warrants their recommendation that the distribution to shareholders should be on similar lines to that effected last year, namely, the payment of a dividend at the rate of \$1 per share and a bonus of 25 cents per share, absorbing \$244,367.50. With reference to the disposal of the balance, your directors propose to transfer \$100,000.00 to general reserve, thereby increasing that account to \$1,150,000.00; to create an

Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Reserve by appropriating thereto a sum of \$100,000.00; to pay a bonus to staff, amounting to \$13,554.05, and to carry forward a balance of \$124,778.22 to the account for the current financial year.

EXAMINATION OF FIGURES

“From a cursory examination of the figures, it will be noted that the profit for the year 1938 is less by \$68,380.35 than that of the preceding year. This decrease is attributable to the fact that certain major contracts were entered into by the Company at “cut” rates, prior to the outbreak of Japanese hostilities, when the effect of intensified dumping of foreign cement on the local market had to be encountered. The fulfilment of such contracts—rendered further disadvantageous by reason of advanced costs—resulted in substantial losses. All such contracts have now been completed, however, and I am pleased to be enabled to state that the present forward commitments of your company are all of a profitable nature.

“You will doubtless recollect that I foreshadowed from the chair last year that such losses were inevitable as a result of meeting those commitments, and I venture to say that we may regard it as fortunate that we have been able to not only absorb the loss, but at the same time to present a showing for the year which cannot but be regarded as eminently satisfactory.

“Furthermore, when effecting comparison of the profits for the years 1937 and 1938, it must be borne in mind that, due to increased costs of raw material last year, coupled with heavier maintenance charges during that period consequent upon the operation of your mechanical plant at full capacity output, production costs have perforce shown a considerable increase over those of the previous year, to which eventually I also referred at your last annual meeting.

“It will be observed from the report of your auditors that no provision has been made for depreciation on plant and floating craft. In this relation I would remind you that these assets were written down to a more or less “break-up” value in the capital reorganization of the Company, undertaken in 1934, and the present residual book values thereof stand at a figure which—in the opinion of your board—cannot but be regarded as ultra-conservative.

“In such circumstances and retaining in mind the fact that your Company has been operating on a prime cost basis since the drastic reconstruction undertaken, your directors do not propose the fixation of an annual depreciation rate off the fixed assets at this juncture, but prefer to provide for relative contingencies by augmenting the general reserve from time to time. In this connection you will note that it is proposed—subject to your approval—to increase such reserve by the sum of \$100,000.00, bringing the amount standing to the credit of that account up to the substantial figure of \$1,150,000.00.

COMPARISONS

“On effecting comparisons of the cash position with that of the previous year, it will be noted that whereas at December 31, 1937, the Company was in credit to the extent of \$403,262.26, the accounts now before you display an overdraft position of \$158,182.25. This depletion of the Company's funds is accounted for by the very substantial increases which have been made in the stocks of all raw materials at your Hok Un Works, in conformity with the policy of your board in maintaining sufficient supplies on hand, capable of meeting any emergency that might arise.

“In this connection and having in mind contracts entered upon—to which I have previously made reference—it will doubtless be a source of satisfaction to shareholders to learn that the Company has, at the present time, “in situ,” at Hok Un, over 100,000 tons of limestone, more than 10,000 tons of coal and 2,000 tons of gypsum, representing an increase in the value of stocks

of raw materials carried, amounting to \$729,150.44, as compared with the position displayed at the end of 1937, the relative figures being \$1,316,052.03 as against \$586,901.59.

In the matter of limestone supplies, your Company was fortunate in placing a contract for 200,000 tons at a considerable reduction in price, made possible by a drop in freight rates, of which contract 100,000 tons still remain to be delivered; on completion of such contract the position of your Company—vis-a-vis raw material—will in effect resolve itself into one whereby a supply of limestone sufficient for two years' working at full capacity will be maintained on hand.

NEW ACCOUNT

Due to depreciation in the values of your Company's investments—during the course of last year—your directors deem it expedient to inaugurate an Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account, to which the sum of \$100,000.00 has been allocated from the profits available for the year under review, in which connection it is proposed, in future, to utilize the reserve thus created as an adjusting medium in regulating the fluctuation of the contra assets. Whilst on this subject, I may add that the investments held by your Company are in sound local currencies of a non-speculative nature.

I am pleased to be able to state that your plant has continued to function in a most satisfactory manner throughout the year, the total production for the period amounting to 108,298 tons of cement. This figure constitutes a record over the term of seven years during which such plant has been in operation, and it is once again my pleasant duty to record a vote of thanks to your staff, particularly to those responsible for the maintenance of your installation at Hok Un.

When considering the figure I have just mentioned, it is of interest to remind you that the guaranteed annual output of your plant is 110,000 tons of cement, but, of course, allowance must be made for stoppages, which are inevitable from time to time when machinery is kept in constant operation.

In the circumstances, and in here expressing appreciation in respect of their loyalty to the interests of your Company, I feel confident that shareholders will endorse the proposal of your board to implement such expression in a practical manner by voting a bonus to the staff of 10% on their salaries for the year under review.

EFFECT OF INVASION

The Japanese occupation of South China had little or no effect upon the conditions governing the business of your Company, having regard to the fact that, due to regulations enforced and prohibitive duties levied by the authorities some years prior to the outbreak of hostilities, our exports to China had been reduced to minute proportions, with the result that we had perforce to explore other avenues for the marketing of our product. It has, therefore, been the policy of your board to endeavor to consolidate the position of your Company in the markets thus gained rather than to re-enter a field of operation which would appear to hold little prospect of permanency, apart from the fact that—as I have already intimated—our present commitments are such as to absorb the maximum output of your works.

“There being no further matters to which I can usefully refer, I now beg to formally propose the adoption of the report and accounts for the financial year ended December 31, 1938, as presented, and the carrying into effect of the appropriations recommended by your board, namely:—
To pay a Dividend of \$1.00 per share on 195,494 shares \$195,494.00
To pay a Bonus of 25 cents per share on 195,494 shares 48,873.50
To pay a Bonus to European Staff of 10% on their salaries 13,554.05
To Transfer to General Reserve in order to bring same up to \$1,150,000.00 100,000.00
To create an Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Reserve 100,000.00
To Carry Forward to Account for the year 1939 124,778.22
\$582,699.77

and when such proposals have been duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability—any questions which shareholders may wish to raise.

SECONDER'S SPEECH

Seconding the proposal, Mr. B. Wong Tape said:—

“Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I have much pleasure on this occasion in rising to second the adoption of the report and accounts, as presented, and I believe that I am expressing the feelings of shareholders in offering our congratulations to the Board of Directors on the very satisfactory results of the past year's working, which I feel reflects considerable credit on those who are entrusted with the direction of our Company's affairs.

“The suggested appropriations may be regarded as entirely conservative and I feel sure that they will meet with the general approval of shareholders, especially in respect of the payment of a bonus to the staff, who are, no doubt, largely responsible for what has been achieved.

“I now formally second the adoption of the report and accounts, as presented, together with the Directors' recommendations with regard to the appropriations, and I would like, on behalf of shareholders, to express our appreciation to the Board of Directors and staff for their careful attention to our interests during the past year.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Sir Robert Ho-tung and Mr. T. E. Pearce, retiring Directors, were re-elected.

Messrs. Linstead and Davis, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors.

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Sterling Notes:—

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Market Report

From Ross Bros.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotation being 20 9/16 for Ready and 19 7/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported India as having operated both ways to a small extent. The market was steady but featureless. American Silver was quoted at 42 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 469. New York/London was quoted at 469. 1/16.

Quietly steady.

Sterling

There were sellers at 1/2 29/32 March, 1/2 27/8 April/May, probably June, buyers at 1/2 15/16 Cash and 1/2 29/32 first half of April/June.

U.S. Dollars

There were sellers at 29 1/8 March, 29 1/16 April, 29 May, probably June, buyers at 29 3/16 Cash, 29 1/8 first half April, and 29 1/16 first half of June.

Shanghai Dollars

Opened with sellers at 180 with business done at 179 1/2 and 179. The market closed with sellers at 179 1/2, buyers at 180.

Shanghai Market

Sterling opened with sellers at 8 7/8 and then firmed up to 8 3/8 for Cash. Later the selling rate receded to 8 1/4 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 16 1/16 and closed at noon with sellers at 16 3/16 for Spot.

Afternoon Market

Quiet, the undertone was not robust.

Sterling

Business was done at 1/2 29/32 for March and 1/2 27/8 June. The market closed with sellers at 1/2 29/32 March, 1/2 27/8 April/May and 1/2 27/8 June, buyers at 1/2 15/16 for cash, 1/2 29/32 first half of April/May and probably 1/2 7/8 June.

U.S. Dollars

The market closed with sellers at 29 1/8 for March, 29 1/16 April, 29 May and 28 15/16 June, buyers at 29 3/16 Cash, 29 1/8 first half of April, 29 1/16 May and 29 June.

Shanghai Dollars

Sellers at 178 3/4 for Spot.

Shanghai Market

Sterling sellers at 8 21/64 for Spot and U.S. at 16 5/32 for Spot. Steady.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

T.T. On Japan, 78-1/2.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2 per cent Rupee, 97-01-0.

SILVER MARKETS

LONDON SILVER

London, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

Silver—India Small buyer and seller; otherwise, market featureless but steady. In the afternoon, the market was steady but idle.

Spot, 20-9/16d.

Forward, 19-7/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

Official Price, 42-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

Market—Quiet. Offtake 20 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 52-12 52-12

Mar. 17 Settlement 52-11 52-11

Apr. 17 Settlement 52-08 52-08

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

COPPER

Standard, Cash 43-5/16 43-7/16

Standard, 3 months 43-5/8 43-11/16

Electrolytic 43-1/2 49

TIN

Standard, Cash 215-1/2 215-3/4

Standard, 3 months 215 215-1/4

LEAD

Foreign, Official Price 14-5/8 14-11/16

Foreign, Official, 3 months 14-15/16 15

SPELTER

Ordinary, Official Price 13-13/16 13-7/8

Ordinary, Official, 3 months 14-1/16 14-1/8

Final Afternoon Transactions

Tin, Standard, Cash, £215 1/2

sellers.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, Mar. 8 (Reuter).

Feb. 24 Mar. 3

Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Banking Department) 20,598 20,602

Rupee Coin and Bullion in India 6,974 6,981

Gold Coin and Bullion in India 4,154 4,154

Securities (Indian Government) 3,229 3,229

Securities (British Government) 5,950 5,950

(Figures in lakhs of Rupees)

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

MARCH 9, 1939

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 8

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HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY 9 MAR.

Buyers Sellers Sales Nominal

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PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONG

COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, March 8.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

March 7 March 8

buyers sellers buyers sellers change

S. P. O. T. 23-7/8 29-1/8 23-7/8 29 off 1/8

APRIL-JUNE 29-1/8 29-3/8 29 29-1/4 off 1/8

JULY-SEPT. 29-3/8 29-5/8 29-1/4 29-1/2 off 1/8

The market opened with prices unchanged for all deliveries as compared with Tuesday's closing rates.

Throughout the session the market ruled with a quiet, but steady undertone in sympathy with conditions prevailing in London and New York. Demand for "actuals" by consuming countries was fair. Whilst there were moderate enquiries by dealers, speculators were inclined to take profits which, however, was well absorbed.

Closing tone was quietly steady.

LONDON RUBBER

Previous close To-day's close

buyers sellers buyers sellers change

S. P. O. T. 8-3/8 8-7/16 8-5/16 8-3/8 off 1/16

APRIL-JUNE 8-3/8 8-1/2 8-3/8 8-7/16 unch.

JULY-SEPT. 8-7/16 8-9/16 8-7/16 8-1/2 unch.

OCT.-DECEMBER 8-9/16 8-5/8 8-1/2 8-9/16 off 1/16

Market steady.

NEW YORK COTTON</

BANKS

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

Authorized Capital\$50,000,000
 Issued & Fully Paid-Up \$20,000,000
 Reserve Funds:
 Sterling£ 6,500,000
 H.K. Currency Reserve \$10,000,000
 Reserve Liability of
 Proprietors\$20,000,000

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 Haiphong, Muar, Swatow,
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 Hilo.

Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local and other Currencies on terms which will be quoted on application.
 Also up to late Safe Deposit Boxes in various sizes To Let.
 Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1939.

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For the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
 V. M. Grayburn,
 Chief Manager.
 Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1939.

BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED

Authorized Capital\$10,000,000
 Paid-up Capital5,998,000.00
 Reserve and Undivided
 Profits2,776,726.78

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 KAN TONG PO,
 Chief Manager.

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Specially Chartered by THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA AS AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$40,000,000

(BRANCHES ALL OVER CHINA)

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SHOU J. CHEN,
 Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1833

Paid-up Capital£3,000,000
 Reserve Fund£2,000,000
 Reserve Liability of Proprietors£3,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON

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117/122, Leadenhall Street, E.C.3.

West End Branch:

14/18, Cockspur Street, S.W.1.

Manchester Branch:

71, Mosley Street, Manchester.

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 BATAVIA, IPOH, SEREMBAN,
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 CHINESE STRAITS, KUALA,
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 CANTON, LUMPUR, TAIPING,
 CANNING, KUCHING, TIENTSIN,
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D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

KUNMING-LASHIO HIGHWAY

KUNMING, Mar. 8 (Int'l)

One stretch of the Kunming-Lashio highway is being improved and repaired, as it is so bad that heavy lorries can move only at a crawl. As soon as the repairs are effected, war material can be transported as usual.

Having travelled through this line, Bishop Ralph Ward, American missionary, has just returned from the World's Missionary conference at Madras. He and seven companions were the first foreign party to complete the trip from Rangoon to Kunming.

"The engineers have done a marvellous job," he said. "They are clever, especially in the construction of bridges and clearing away landslides."

Four routes are now available from Rangoon as far as Lashio, said the Bishop. One is the railway. A highway parallels the railway, and there is a longer highway by the way of Mandalay. The Irrawaddy River is the fourth route.

LANCASHIRE CLOTH: TRADE WITH CHINA

LONDON, Mar. 8 (Reuter)

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, was non-committal when he was questioned in the House of Commons on the steps he was taking to ensure the success of the negotiations between the Chinese Government and Lancashire traders for a large amount of cotton cloth.

Mr. Hudson said that he understood that tentative inquiries in this connexion had been made recently, but it was contrary to the practice of his department to disclose the details.

SHANGHAI MARKETS

Beneficial Effect Of New Credit

SHANGHAI, Mar. 9 (Reuter)

The announcement of the conclusion of a £10,000,000 credit for China was very well received in Shanghai's financial quarters this morning and all markets reflected a feeling of confidence such as has been seen here for some time.

The effect of the announcement was most pronounced in the market for Chinese Domestic Bonds; all issues moving sharply higher on the wave of buying which had been induced by the burst of renewed confidence in the Chinese Government. Gains at the opening averaged around one dollar and, although the high levels attracted some profit-taking, the market maintained a very steady appearance.

The local dollar also benefited and hardened in terms of both sterling and the U.S. dollar and, while improvement in exchange rates was only fractional, the underlying tendency was very firm.

One prominent exchange broker, when questioned by Reuter, described the effect of the announcement as "very beneficial" to Shanghai's currency.

CHINA AND SUPPLIES OF WOLFRAM

Apart from some technical and chemical properties, it is chiefly the difference in price policy which has favoured molybdenum as against tungsten during the last five years. While the Climax concern has kept its price fairly stable around 40s. to 45s. per unit, the Chinese wolfram monopolies have always favoured high prices.

As a result tungsten prices have fluctuated very widely since 1933, and this has alienated consumers to some extent. At the moment the tungsten market has once again reached an interesting stage. South China supplies two-thirds of the world's wolfram ore, and the Japanese invasion has now seriously endangered both production and export shipments.

The full 1938 figures have just become available, and they show that exports for the year amounted to 123,577 quintals, a decline of 41,601 quintals against 1937. As the 1937 figure was an all-time peak, this decline is hardly sensational. In the latter part of 1938, however, exports declined to very low levels, and in December they actually ceased altogether. This tendency may continue unless the Japanese follow the Chinese example of selling wolfram in large quantities in order to provide foreign exchange for financing the war.

MARKET NOT PERTURBED

So far the wolfram ore market is not perturbed by the Japanese occupation of the Chinese wolfram areas. In fact, since the beginning of this year the quotation for Chinese ore (current shipments) has fallen from 59s. to 54s. per unit, compared with nearly 130s. in September, 1937, and only 10s. in January, 1938, the month of Herr Hitler's accession to power.

The United Kingdom's net imports of tungsten ore fell from 8,670 tons in 1937 to 6,758 tons in 1938, although consumption must have risen in view of the increased armament activity. Unlike all other Great Powers, however, this country is not vitally dependent on Chinese supplies, as Burma, Malaya, Australia, Southern Rhodesia, and the British-controlled Beira mines in Portugal could cover all our requirements.

OIL PROPERTIES IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 9 (Reuter)

The first conversation between President Cardenas and Mr. Richberg of the Standard Oil Co. on the question of foreign oil properties in Mexico took place yesterday at noon in the National Palace.

A statement issued after the conversation declared that both parties "consider that real progress was made." They will meet again to-day at noon.

WINNIPEG.—Land will be purchased near The Pas, 350 miles north of here in the Manitoba mining country, for establishment of a model co-operative farming community, peopled by Canadian war veterans and their families. The settlement scheme is endorsed by The Pas branch of the British Empire Legion.

SECURITIES AND COMMODITIES

Messrs. White, White & Co. have received the following comments from Messrs. Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Co. on the various New York markets:—

SECURITIES

The action of the market was impressive, with high-grade issues in the leadership. Our opinions and recommendations remain unchanged.

STOCK	Period	1938	1937
Eagle Picher Lead	Yr. 31/12	\$488,733	\$388,781
		Loss	Profit
Freeport Sulphur		\$ 1.87	\$ 3.30

DIVIDENDS

Coty, Inc. \$0.30. General Mills two dividends; first \$1.25, payable on April 10 and the second of \$0.875, payable on August 1. The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company \$0.50 per share, payable on April 1.

STATISTICS

	Week ended	Week ended
Electricity Output (Edison Elec. Inst.)	25/2	4/3
	2,226,000	2,244,000
	(kilowatt hours—000's omitted)	
Crude Oil Prod.	3,332,000	3,315,000
	(barrels)	

WHEAT

Continued poor foreign demand is encouraging liquidation.

COTTON

There was some trade buying on scale. Mr. Henry Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, to-day announced that the Government has discussed four alternative plans, all aimed at reducing Government stocks of cotton through trade channels. Details have not been released.

RUBBER

The market was neglected.

HIDES

There was some commission house buying.

COCOA

Brazilian hedging was absorbed by commission houses.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The turnover was again rather small, but on the whole quotations are well maintained.

BUYERS

Hongkong Bank, \$1385.
 Canton Ins., \$223.
 Union Ins., \$477.
 H.K. Fire Ins., \$185.
 Douglas, \$654.
 Wharves, \$1194.
 H.K. Docks (Old), \$174.
 H.K. Docks (New), \$16.90.
 Raubs, \$8.35.
 H.K. Lands, \$384 ex Div.
 H.K. Trams, \$17.
 Yammatt Ferries (Old), \$231.
 China Lights (Old), \$8.85.
 China Lights (New), \$5.85.
 Electric, \$584.
 Macao Electric, \$173.
 Sandakan Lights, \$10.60.
 Canton Ins., \$1.
 Cement, \$15.90.
 Ropes, \$4.
 Wing On (H.K.), \$42.
 Entertainments, \$7.
 Govt. 4% Loan 34% Prem.
 Govt. 34% Loan Par.

SELLERS

Providents (Old), \$8.45.
 Providents (New), \$6.30.

SALES

Hongkong Bank, \$1400.
 Underwriters, 50cts.
 Wharves, \$120.
 H.K. Docks (Old), \$174.
 H.K. Docks (New), \$17.
 Star Ferries, \$874.
 China Lights (New), \$6.

PHILIPPINE MINES

Antamoks, Pa. 444.
 Atoks, Pa. 38.
 Babulo Gold, Pa. 234.
 Benguet Consol., Pa. 13.60.
 Coco Groves, Pa. 44.
 Cons. Mines, Pa. 003.
 Demonstrations, Pa. 13.
 I. X. L., Pa. 37.
 San Mauricio, Pa. 225.
 Suyoc Consol., Pa. 21.
 United Paracales, Pa. 70.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Thursday, March 9

STOCK	No. of Shares	Price
H.K. Banks	2	\$1,400.00
Star Ferries	250	67.50
China Lights (N.)	500	6.00
Watsons	500	8.00
Underwriters	1,500	0.50
Marathan (H.K.)	400	as 43
Marathan Inc.	100	Pa.51.00
Demonstrations	3,000	0.124
Itigons	10,000	0.231
	8,000	0.33
	4,000	0.21
Suyocs	5,000	0.151
Mashate		No. 30

Philippine Gold Mining Quotations

	Thursday, Mar. 9
Antamoks	444
Atoks	38
Babulo Gold	234
Benguet Consol.	13.60
Coco Grove	44
Consol. Mines	003
Demonstrations	13
I. X. L.	37
San Mauricio	225
Suyoc Consol.	21
United Paracales	70
Market Comment	Steady

SINGAPORE STOCK QUOTATIONS

The following quotations of 12 leading Singapore stocks have been received by Messrs. Ellis, and Edgar from Messrs. J. M. Sassoon & Co.

Singapore, Mar. 3.

RUBBER SHARES

	Middle Price
Amalgamated Malay Estate Ltd.	1.45
Kempas Limited	1.80
Kuala Sidim Rubber Co. Ltd.	2.15
Pajam Limited	1.75
Sungei Bagan Rubber Estates Ltd.	1.324
Tapah Rubber Estate Ltd.	1.724

TIN SHARES

Petaling Tin Limited	6.674
Sungei Luas Tin Dredging Ltd.	1.40

INDUSTRIALS

Straits Trading Co., Ltd.	25.80
United Engineers Ltd. (Ord.)	8.70
Wearne Brothers Limited	—

GOLD

Raub Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd.	4.75
	c.d.

The above quotations are in Straits dollars.

EDMONTON.—Scattered trading posts and settlements of Canada's North West Territories are asking representation in Dominion parliament. Petitions are circulated by airplane. At present the affairs of the Territories are in charge of a government administrator.

TORONTO.—With 10,000,000 pounds of an 83,000,000-pound tobacco crop unsold after the 1938 harvest, Ontario growers are planning to cut acreage from 67,000 to 52,000 in 1939. The growers' marketing board fixed a minimum price of 224 cents a pound for the 1938 crop—Canadian Press.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

via LEITH, MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS

The S.S. "BENGLOE"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd. at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th inst. will be subject to rent. All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 17th inst. or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 12th Mar., 1939, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carnichael & Clark.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W. R. Loxley & Co. (CHINA) Ltd. Agents.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1939.

PRESIDENT LINER Sailings

FOR SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES via SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU

S.S. "PRESIDENT CLEVELAND"	Sails	Mar. 15th at 8.00 A.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE"	"	Mar. 25th at 4.00 P.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE"	"	Apr. 8th at 8.00 A.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT"	"	Apr. 21st at 8.00 A.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT CLEVELAND"	"	May 5th at 8.00 A.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE"	"	May 19th at 8.00 A.M.

AND FORTNIGHTLY THEREAFTER

* OMITTS SHANGHAI

FOR NEW YORK & BOSTON via SUEZ

S.S. "PRESIDENT GARFIELD"	Sails	Mar. 17th at 12 Noon
S.S. "PRESIDENT MONROE"	"	Mar. 29th at 8.00 P.M.

AND FORTNIGHTLY THEREAFTER

FOR MANILA

S.S. "PRESIDENT GARFIELD"	Sails	Mar. 17th at 12 Noon
S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE"	"	Mar. 18th at 6.00 P.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE"	"	Mar. 31st at 9.00 P.M.
S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT"	"	Apr. 14th at 6.00 P.M.

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THE CHINA-SIAM LINE.

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S.S. "HELIOS" leaving Hong Kong 15th March via Swatow
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HONG KONG-SWATOW-AMOY

S.S. "HAI HING" leaving Hong Kong 16th March

Accepting Passengers & Cargo for all the above mentioned ports.

HONG KONG-SINGAPORE-PENANG-RANGOON

Regular Express Service

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Amoy

Haitan, Douglas, March 10.
Shantung, B. & S., March 11.
Chungking, B. & S., March 12.
Taiwan, B. & S., March 14.
Hai Hing, Thorassan, March 16.

Chefoo

Kanchow, B. & S., March 10.
Mingsang, Jardine's, March 12.
Hoibow, B. & S., March 12.
Yunnan, B. & S., March 15.
Tingsang, Jardine's, March 15.
Taksang, Jardine's, March 15.

Chuanchow

Taiyuan, B. & S., March 14.

Dairen

Tyndaerud, B. & S., March 10.
Neumark, Jøbsen's, March 11.
Aller, Melchers, March 13.
Hans Rickmers, Jøbsen's, March 22.
Ramses, Jøbsen's March 29.
Franken, Melchers, April 6.

Foochow

Haitan, Douglas, March 10.
Hoibow, B. & S., March 12.
Yunnan, B. & S., March 15.

JAPAN

Trüdarsen, B. & S., March 10.
Hakozaki Maru, N. Y. K., March 10.
Tantibus, B. & S., March 11.
Neumark, Jebens's, March 11.
Talleyrand, Thoresen's, March 11.
Hulda, Maersk, Jebens's March 11.
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. Linos, March
Yuenang, Jardino's, March 12.
Cotezax, L. Martino, March 13.
Java, E. & Co., March 14.
Ajax, R. & S., March 16.
Shirala, B. I. (Apar), March 16.
Corfu, P. & O., March 17.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., March 17.
Somali, P. & O., March 18.
Marburg, Melchers, March 18.
Chenonax, Messageries, March 18.
Bokuy Maru, N. Y. K., March 19.
Potadam, Melchers, March 19.
Hosang, Jardino's, March 21.
Kizano, Maru, N. Y. K., March 22.
Philoctetes, B. & S., March 24.
Suwa Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. Linos, March 25.
Marchen Maersk, Jebens's, March 27.
Harris, Richmond, March 28.
Ramsen, Jebens's March 29.
Mar. Joffre, Messageries, March 30.
Chitral, P. & O., March 30.
Tilawa, B. I. (Apar), March 30.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
Kina, E. A. Co., March 31.
Franken, Melchers, April 6.
Pres. Collidge, A. P. Linos, April 8.
Arabia, Ward Tustin, April 10.
Regensburg, Melchers, April 10.

Ketchiks

Hakodadi Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
Shanghai
Kanchow Mar. 5, March 10.
Hakodadi Mar. 5, March 10.
Tantulu, B. & S., March 11.
Neumark, Jebesen's, March 11.
Talleyrand, Thorlesen's, March 11.
Shantung, B. & S., March 11.
Hulda, Maersk, Jebesen's March 11.
Exang, Jardine's, March 12.
Kluengbuong, B. & S., March 13.
Cortial, L. Triestino, March 13.
Allo, Melchers, March 13.
Tayuan, B. & S., March 14.
Java, E. A. Co., March 14.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 16.
Ajax, B. & S., March 16.
Sinkung, B. & S., March 17.
Corfu, P. & O., March 17.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., March 17.
Somali, L. Triestino, March 18.
Marburg, Melchers, March 18.
Victoria, L. Triestino, March 18.
Chenonceaux, Messageries, March 18.
Potsdam, Melchers, March 19.
Boisewant, J. C., J. Line, March 22.
Philocetes, B. & S., March 24.
Hasson, L. Triestino, March 25.
Marchen Maersk, Jebesen's, March 2
Hans Rinkmers, Jebesen's, March 28
Ramasz, Jebesen's March 29.
Mar. Joffrs, Messageries, March 30.
Chitral, P. & O., March 30.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30
Kina, E. A. Co., March 34.
Hakon, L. Triestino, April 3.
Pren. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April
Arabia, Lloyd Triestino, April 10.
Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.

Swatow

Kanchow, B. & S., March 10.
Haizan, Douglas, March 10.
Mingsang, Jardine's, March 12.
Hoibow, B. & S., March 12.
Kinchow, B. & S., March 13.
Yunnan, B. & S., March 13.
Tingsang, Jardine's, March 15.
Helios, Thoresen's, March 15.
Kwangtang, B. & S., March 16.
Hoi Hing, Thoresen's, March 16.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 16.
Takang, Jardine's, March 19.
Hiram, Thoresen's, March 19.

Taku

Neumark, Jebson's, March 11.
Aller, Malchers, March 13.
Hans Rickmers, Jobson's, March 2.
Franken, Melchers, April 6.
Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.

Tientsin

Kanchow, B. & S., March 10.
Mingsang, Jardine, March 12.
Hoibow, B. & S., March 12.
Yunnan, B. & S., March 15.
Tingsang, Jardine's, March 15.
Dapou, Jardine's, March 17.
Takang, Jardine's, March 19.

Tientsin

Kanchow, B. & S., March 10.
Hoibow, B. & S., March 12.
Yunnan, B. & S., March 15.

9. Prof. Gerfield, A. P. Lines, March
 Pres. Gurnee, A. P. Lines, March
 Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March
 Ramzes, Jebson's March 29.
 Rawalpindi, P. & O., March 17.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.
 Shirala, B. I. (Apar), March 14.
 10. Seawall, P. & O., March 18.
 Suez, Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Talsing, B. & S., March 10.
 Tai Ping, Doddwells, March 17.
 Tai Seen Hong, Jardine's, March
 Takshang, Jardine's, March 18.
 Talsing, Thoresen's, March 18.
 Tallyrand, Thoresen's, March 11.
 Tantalus, B. & S., March 11.
 Tingasang, Jardine's, March 10.
 11. Tibbadak, J. C. J. Lines, March 12.
 Victoria, L. Tristano, March 15.
 Wolsing, Jardine's, March 15.
 Yuenang, Jardine's, March 11.
 12. Yunnan, B. & S., March 11.
 13. Yusanang, Jardine's, March 19.

EASTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

Balboa

Hulda, Maersk, Jobson's March 11,
Jeff Davis, Thoresen's, March 17.
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jobson's, March 27.

Baltimore

Hulda, Maersk, Jobson's March 11,
Jeff Davis, Thoresen's, March 17.
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jobson's, March 27.

Boston and New York

Emp. of Britain, C. P. S. March 11
Hulda, Maersk, Jobson's March 11,
Pres. Garfield, A. P. Lines, March 17.
Jeff Davis, Thoresen's, March 17.
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jobson's, March 27.

Cristobal

Hulda, Maersk, Jobson's March 11,
Pres. Garfield, A. P. Lines, March 17.
Jeff Davis, Thoresen's, March 17.
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jobson's, March 27.

Emp. of Britain, C. P. S., March
Honolulu
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. Lines, March
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., March 17
Bokuyou Maru, N. Y. K., March 19
Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 23
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 3
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8

Los Angeles
Hulda, Maersk, Jensen's March 11
Emp. Cleveland, A. P. Lines, March
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18
Bokuyou Maru, N. Y. K., March 19
Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 23
Marchen Maersk, Jensen's March 2
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 3
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8

Panama
Hulda, Maersk, Jensen's March 11
Jeff Davis, Thorssen's March 17
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18
Marchen Maersk, Jensen's March 2

Philadelphia
Hulda, Maersk, Jensen's March 11
Jeff Davis, Thorssen's March 17
Tai Ping, Dowdall's March 18
Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 2

Rio de Janeiro
Emp. of Britain, C. P. S., March
San Francisco
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. Lines, March
Bokuyou Maru, N. Y. K., March 19
Emp. of Japan, C. P. Lines, March 23
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April
Seattle

Tyndareus, B. & S., March 10.
Vancouver, B.C.
 Tyndareus, B. & S., March 10.
 Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., March 17.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
Victoria, B.C.
 Tyndareus, B. & S., March 10.
 Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., March 17.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.

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SOUTHWARD

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FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA

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Australian Ports, East and West
 Taiping, B. & S., March 17.
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Bali
 Emp. of Britain, C. P. S., March 2.
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 2.
Bangka
 Muinam, R. & S., March 10.
 Helios, Thoresen's, March 15.
 Heron, Thoresen's, March 23.
Batavia
 Emp. of Britain, C. P. S., March 14.
 Tjibadad, J. C. J. Line, March 14.
Belawan-Deli
 Van Heutsz, J. C. J. Line, March 10.
 Oder, Melchers, March 23.
Borneo Ports
 Maunang, Jardine's, March 12.
 Tai Sean Hong, Jardine's, March 12.

Brabant

Taiping, B. & S., March 17.
Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Calicut

Taiping, B. & S., March 17.

Cebu

Tingegara, J. C. J. Line, March 21.
Anna Maerik, Johnston's, April 5.

Davao

Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.

Haliphong

Canton, C. A. N., March 10.
Suway B. & S., March 11.
Wingsang, Jardine's, March 11.
Jean Dupuis, March 11.
Kjangu B. & S., March 17.
Wosang, Jardine's, March 18.
Yusang, Jardine's, March 22.
Laos, Messageries, March 24.

Java

Emp. of Britain, C. F. S., March 17.
Tijbadak, J. C. J. Line, March 19.

Kwaschichwan

Suway B. & S., March 11.
Jean Dupuis, March 14.
Kjangu B. & S., March 17.

Madang

Frideston, Melchers, March 15.

Makassar

Tijbadak, J. C. J. Line, March 19.

Manille
 Emp. of Japan, C. P. 8, March
 Emp. of Britain, C. P. 8, March
 Taipung, B. & S., March 17.
 Pres. Garfield A. F. Lines, March
 Pres. Pierce, A. F. Lines, March
 Acadia, Jehon, A. F. Lines, March
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 2
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. 8, March
 Atutsu Maru, N. Y. K., March 25
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, March
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1
 Atutsu Maru, N. Y. K., April 5
 Cingalese Prince, Furness, April

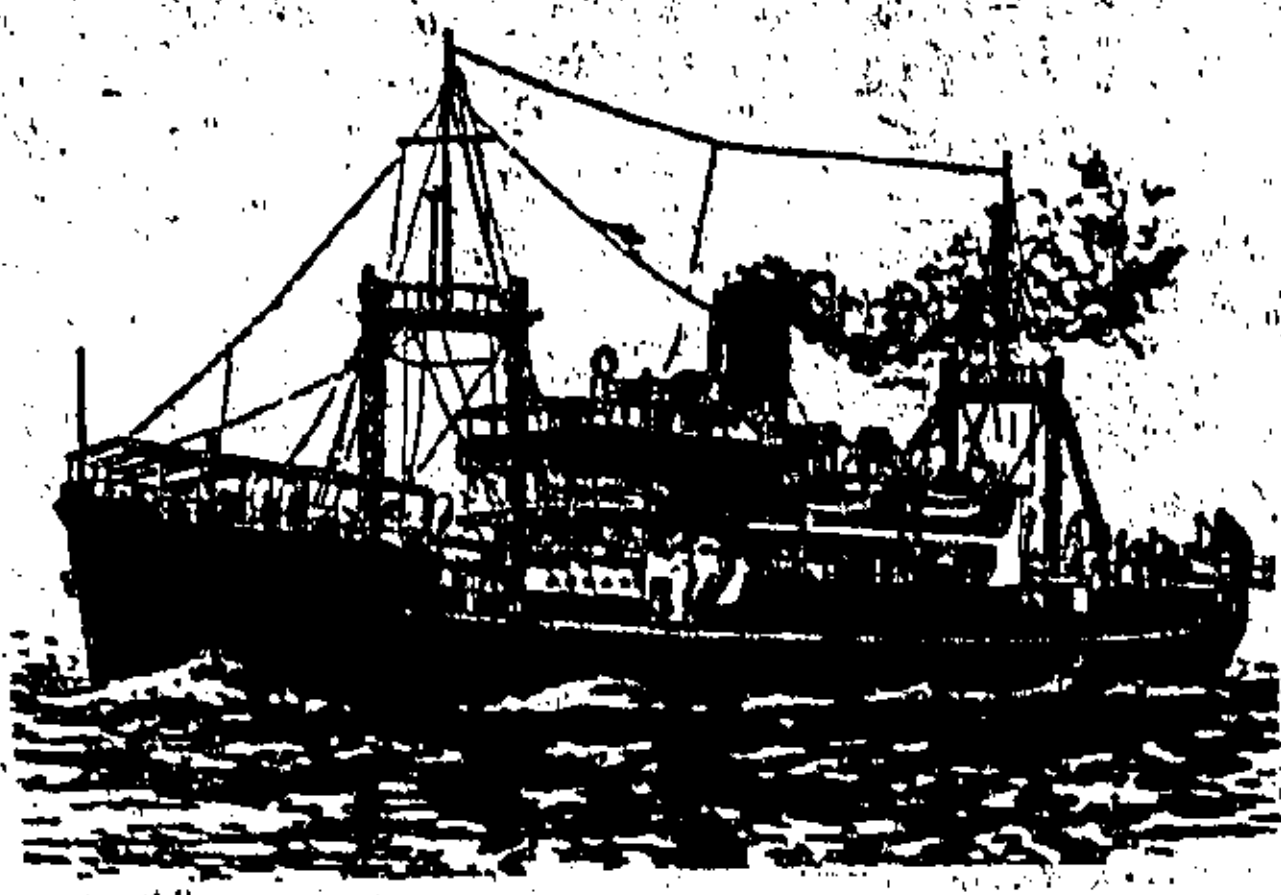
Melbourne
 Taipung, B. & S., March 17.
 Atutsu Maru, N. Y. K., March 25
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1

Fakhoi
 Suivang, B. & S., March 11
 Kiangsu, B. & S., March 17.

Rabat
 Friedrun, Melchere, March 15.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

ACQUAVALLO, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN
 "Mingsang" 13th Mar. Noon
 "Hoosang" 19th Mar. 7 a.m.
 "Toussang" 19th Mar. 7 p.m.
 "Fousang" 32nd Mar. 7 a.m.
 "Foushing" 24th Mar. 7 a.m.
 "Wingsang" 26th Mar. 3 p.m.
To TIENTSIN
 "Dahpu" 17th Mar. 5 p.m.
To SANDAKAN
 "Mausang" 19th Mar. 10 a.m.
 "Tai Seun Hoong" 23rd Mar. 10 a.m.
To HAIPHONG
 "Wingsang" 11th Mar. 3 p.m.
 "Wosang" 18th Mar. 3 p.m.
 "Yusang" 32nd Mar. 3 p.m.

To SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA
 "Kutsang" 11th Mar. 3 p.m.
 "Kumsang" 25th Mar. 3 p.m.
To KOBE and OSAKA
 "Yuenjang" 13th Mar. Noon
 "Hosang" 21st Mar. 9 a.m.
 "Suisang" 2nd Apr. 9 a.m.



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WEATHER REPORT

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Marselles

Kasima Maru, N. Y. K., March 10.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., March 13.

Oran

Oder, Malchers, March 23.

Oslo

Talabot, Thoresen's, March 22.

Pennang

Kasima Maru, N. Y. K., March 10.
Kutsang, Jardine's, March 11.
Van Heutsz, J. C. J. Line, March 10.
Pres. Garfield A. P. Lines, March 17.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., March 13.
Thai King, Thoresen's, March 22.
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 22.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
Kumsang, Jardine's, March 25.
Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.

Flymouth

Rawalpindi, P. & O., March 13.

Port Said

Kasima Maru, N. Y. K., March 10.

**HONGKONG ROYAL
OBSERVATORY.**

10 a.m. March 9.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.92 ins.
Temperature, 65 F.
Humidity, 91 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.
Temperature; maximum yesterday,
70 F.
Temperature; minimum last night,
64 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th
to-day, 0.02 ins.
Total rainfall since January 1,
1.20 ins.
Against an average of, 3.44 in.
Sunset to-night, 8.30 p.m.
Sunrise to-morrow, 6.38 a.m.
4 p.m., March 9.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.84 ins.
Temperature, 66 F.
Humidity, 85 per cent.
Wind Direction, E/S.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.
Maximum temperature, 67 F.
Minimum temperature, 64 F.
Rainfall, 0.00.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 10 to 16 Mar. 1938

HIGH WATER.			LOW WATER.		
Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height.
Fri.	10	h.m.	f.m.	h.m.	f.m.
		0 36	5 5	0 47	5 5
		12 18	6 3	18 46	6 3
Sat.	11	01 31	4 5	08 14	4 0
		13 55	6 15	19 4	5 0
Sun.	12	02 40	4 2	08 42	3 4
		13 58	6 0	21 13	5 0
Mon.	13	04 17	3 0	07 1	3 0
		14 36	6 0	38 49	5 0
Tues.	14				
		18 06	5 9		5 0
Wed.	15			00 04	4 0
		17 24	5 9		5 0
Thur.	16	08 25	4 4	00 53	3 0
		18 30	6 0	11 49	4 1

Hakone Maru, N. Y. K. March 25.
 Burdwan, P. & O. March 25.
 Sirdhana, B. L. (Apoah), March 25.
 Kumsang, Jardine's, March 25.
 Victoria, L. Triestino, March 26.
 Nagato Maru, N. Y. K. Lines, March 26.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 26.
 Oldenburg, Jebsen's, March 30.
 Cheouneaux, Messageries, April 2.

Suez

Kasima Maru, N. Y. K. March 10.
 Arawa, Mochizuki, March 10.
 Pres. Garfield, A. P. Lines, March 17.
 Oder, Malchers, March 23.
 Hakone Maru, N. Y. K. March 25.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Cheouneaux, Messageries, April 2.

Tanger.

Rawalpindi, P. & O. March 18.

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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Honolulu, Hilo, Los Angeles, Mexico, & Balboa to Valparaiso.

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BOKUYO MARU (from Kobe) 28th Mar.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NAGARA MARU 7th Apr.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, NAPLES via Suez.

KASIMA MARU 10th Mar.

HAKONE MARU 24th Mar.

HUSIMI MARU 8th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Davao, Thurs- day Island, Brisbane.

ATUTA MARU 25th Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

GINYO MARU 10th Mar.

NAGATO MARU 28th Mar.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

KAIYO MARU 15th Mar.

KOBE AND YOKOHAMA

SAKAZAKI MARU 11th Mar.

KITANO MARU (Direct Nagasaki) 22nd Mar.

SUWA MARU 25th Mar.

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DUE TO-DAY

Hulda Maersk, Danish, registered tons, Capt. V. Venum, from Manila, a.m., at buoy No. A12.—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

Ginyo Maru, Japanese, from Japan, a.m., at buoy No. A8.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Kut Sang, British, 3,652 registered tons, Capt. D. R. Kilbee, from Japan, 2 p.m., at buoy No. A7.—J.M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Tai ping, British, 2,582 registered tons, Captain A. M. Frame, from Australia via Manila, 7 a.m., at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Emp. of Japan, British, 15,725 regd. tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, from Vancouver, Japan and S'hai, 9 a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.S. (Tel. 20752).

Conte Rosso, Italian, 9,909 registered tons, Capt. G. Fabris, from Shan, 7 a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—L. Triestino. (Tel. 32983).

Kasima Maru, Japanese, 6,148 regd. tons, Capt. K. Fukuda, from Japan, S'hai and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. A9.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Tantalus, British, from U.K. via Straits, noon at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Ting Sang, British, 1,232 registered tons, Capt. H. G. Goddard, from S'hai and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—J.M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Sandanger, Norwegian, 5,633 registered tons, Capt. Abrahamson, from San Francisco via Shanghai, at Tsun Wan.—Texas & Co. (Tel. 28094).

Arendskerck, Dutch, 4,764 registered tons, Capt. T. Romlingh, from Europe via Manila, at Holt's Wharf.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Naruto Maru, Japanese, 4,245 regd. tons, Capt. H. Kagesima, from Manila, at buoy No. A9.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Tjikembang, Dutch, 8,064 registered tons, Capt. Walter, from Japan and S'hai, at buoy No. A5.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Tweedbank, British, 3,412 registered tons, Captain Ellis, from Shanghai, at buoy No. A2.—Bank Line. (Tel. 27791).

Scharnhorst, German, 10,712 registered tons, Capt. J. Angels, from Japan and Shanghai, at Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers & Co. (Tel. 27772).

Suiyang, British, 1,594 registered tons, Captain L. V. Rowe, from S'hai and Swatow, at buoy No. B15.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

SAILED YESTERDAY

Lessee Maersk for Bangkok.

Tsinau for Amoy.

Amoy for Singapore.

Naruto Maru for Shanghai.

Bengloe for S'pore.

Tinegara for Amoy.

Ruys for Manila.

Scharnhorst for Manila.

DUE TO-MORROW

Hakozaki Maru, Japanese, 6,310 regd. tons, Capt. B. Matsukura, from Europe and Straits, a.m., at buoy No. A7.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Pres. Cleveland, American, 6,606 regd. tons, Capt. W. O. Kohlmeister, from Manila, 7 a.m., at K'loon Wharf.—A.P.L. (Tel. 28171).

Neumark, German, 4,163 registered tons, from Europe via Manila, a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

Yuen Sang, British, 1,983 registered tons, Capt. W. J. Lawrence, from Calcutta and Straits, a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—J.M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Yumma, British, 1,634 registered tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Tientsin and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Talleyrand, Norwegian, from Europe and Straits, a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30297).

SAILING TO-MORROW

Talma, British, 6,154 registered tons, Captain C. C. Gwyn, from buoy No. 3, for S'pore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta, 10.30 a.m.—M.M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Tynderus, British, 7,158 registered tons, Capt. D. Hey, from buoy No. A7, for Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle (via Dalen, Kobe, Nagoya and Yokohama), noon.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kut Sang, British, 3,652 registered tons, Capt. D. R. Kilbee, from buoy No. A7, for S'pore, Penang & Calcutta, 2 p.m.—J.M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Suiyang, British, 1,594 registered tons, Capt. L. V. Rowe, from buoy No. B15, for K. C. Wan, Pakhoi and Haiphong, 2 p.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Hakozaki Maru, Japanese, 6,310 regd. tons, Capt. B. Matsukura, from buoy No. A7, for Kobe and Yokohama, 3 p.m.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Pres. Cleveland, American, 6,604 regd. tons, Capt. W. O. Kohlmeister, from Kowloon Wharf, for S'hai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles, 4 p.m.—A.P.L. (Tel. 28171).

Wing Sang, British, 1,983 registered tons, Capt. S. J. Barden, from West Point Wharf, for Haiphong, 5 p.m.—J.M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Shantung, British, 1,588 registered tons, Captain Fritas, from buoy No. B21, for Amoy and Shanghai, 5 p.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Emp. of Britain, British, 22,545 regd. tons, Capt. C. H. Sapeworth, from Kowloon Wharf, for Manila, 6 p.m.—C.P.S. (Tel. 20752).

Van Heutsz, Dutch, 2,785 registered tons, Captain De Vos, from buoy No. A11, for Amoy, p.m.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Sun Chih, British, 1,173 registered tons, Capt. W. Lee, from buoy No. B12, for Saigon, 6 p.m.—Wo Fat Sing. (Tel. 20005).

Hulda Maersk, Danish, 3,390 registered tons, Capt. V. Venum, from buoy No. A12, for S'hai, Japan and U.S.A., p.m.—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

SAILING TO-DAY

Tural, Hungarian, 1,509 registered tons, Captain N. Lojos, from Yau-mat, for Samarinda, 7 a.m.—Wing Ping Trading & Co. (Tel. 28331).

Kanchow, British, 1,222 registered tons, Capt. W. E. Awcock, from buoy No. B3, for Swatow, S'hai, Tiao, W. H. W. Chefoo & Tsin, 12 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Mumrah, Danish, 1,739 registered tons, Capt. V. L. Reister, from Teluk Dock, for Bangkok, 7 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Changon, British, 2,235 registered tons, Captain L. N. Beer, from buoy No. B4, for Swatow, p.m.—Dodwell & Co. (Tel. 28021).

Arendskerck, Dutch, 4,764 registered tons, Capt. T. Romlingh, from Holt's Wharf, for S'hai and Japan, 7 a.m.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Canton, French, 976 registered tons, Captain G. Charlot, from buoy No. B4, for Haiphong, 4 p.m.—M.M. (Tel. 26651).

Halton, British, 2,225 registered tons, Captain E. Walker, from Douglas Wharf, for Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow, 4 p.m.—Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

Emp. of Japan, British, 15,725 regd. tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, from Kowloon Wharf, for Manila, 5 p.m.—C.P.S. (Tel. 20752).

Conte Rosso, Italian, 9,909 registered tons, Capt. G. Fabris, from Kowloon Wharf, for Straits and Europe, p.m.—L. Triestino. (Tel. 32983).

Kasima Maru, Japanese, 6,148 regd. tons, Capt. K. Fukuda, from buoy No. A9, for Straits, London, Marseilles, Naples via Suez, p.m.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Wing Wah, Portuguese, 651 registered tons, Capt. J. Teixeira, from Salkong Wharf, for K. C. Wan, 4 p.m.—Tai Fung & Co. (Tel. 20093).

Tjikembang, Dutch, 8,064 registered tons, Capt. Walter, from buoy No. A5, for Manila, Straits & Europe, p.m.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

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Kowloon.—Hin Sang, Olona.

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No. A 2.—Tweedbank.
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No. A 11.—Van Heutsz.
No. B 2.—Ming Sang.
No. B 3.—Kanchow.
No. B 4.—Canton.
No. B 6.—Changon.
No. B10.—Hollow.
No. B12.—Shun Chih.
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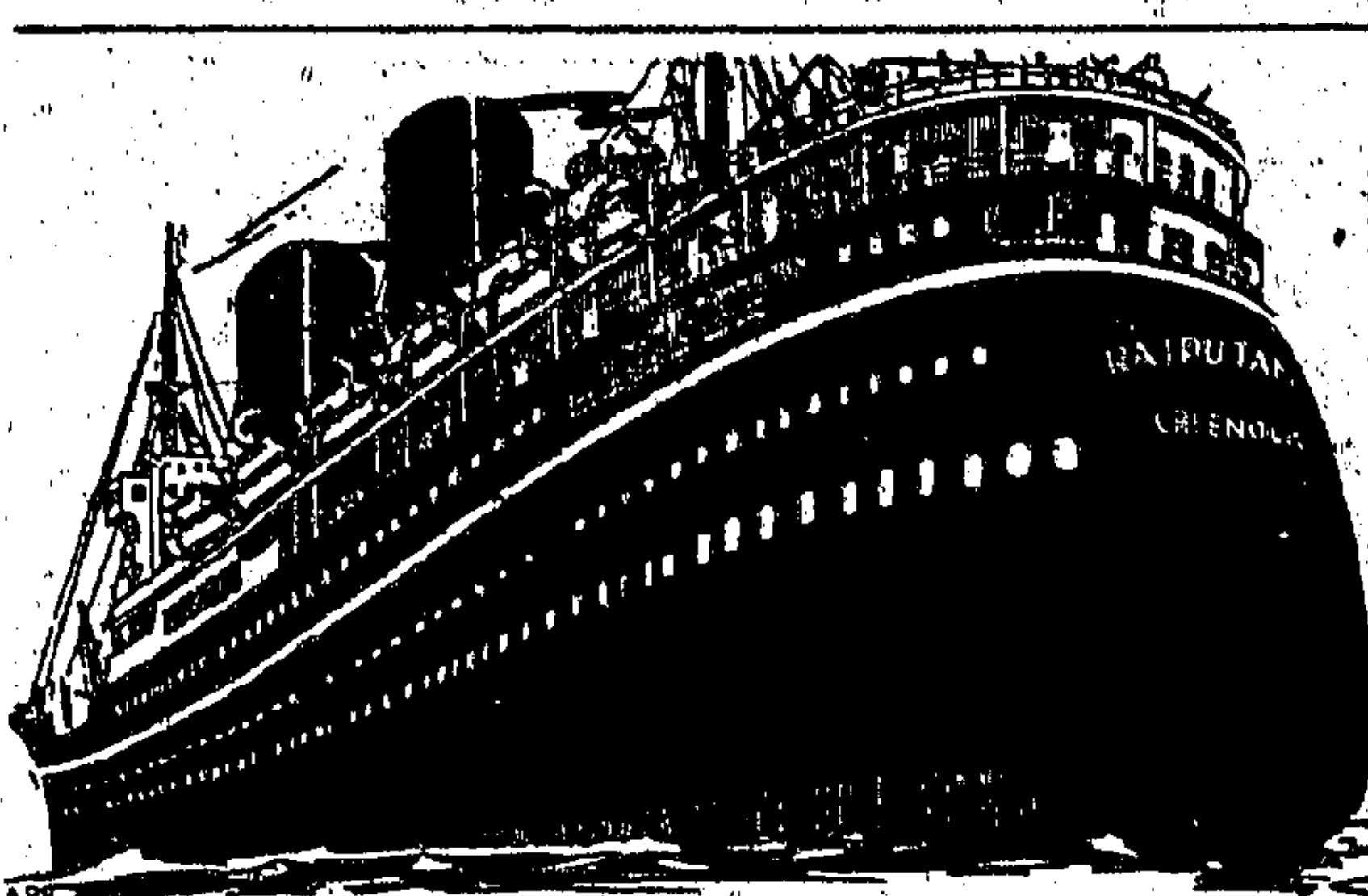
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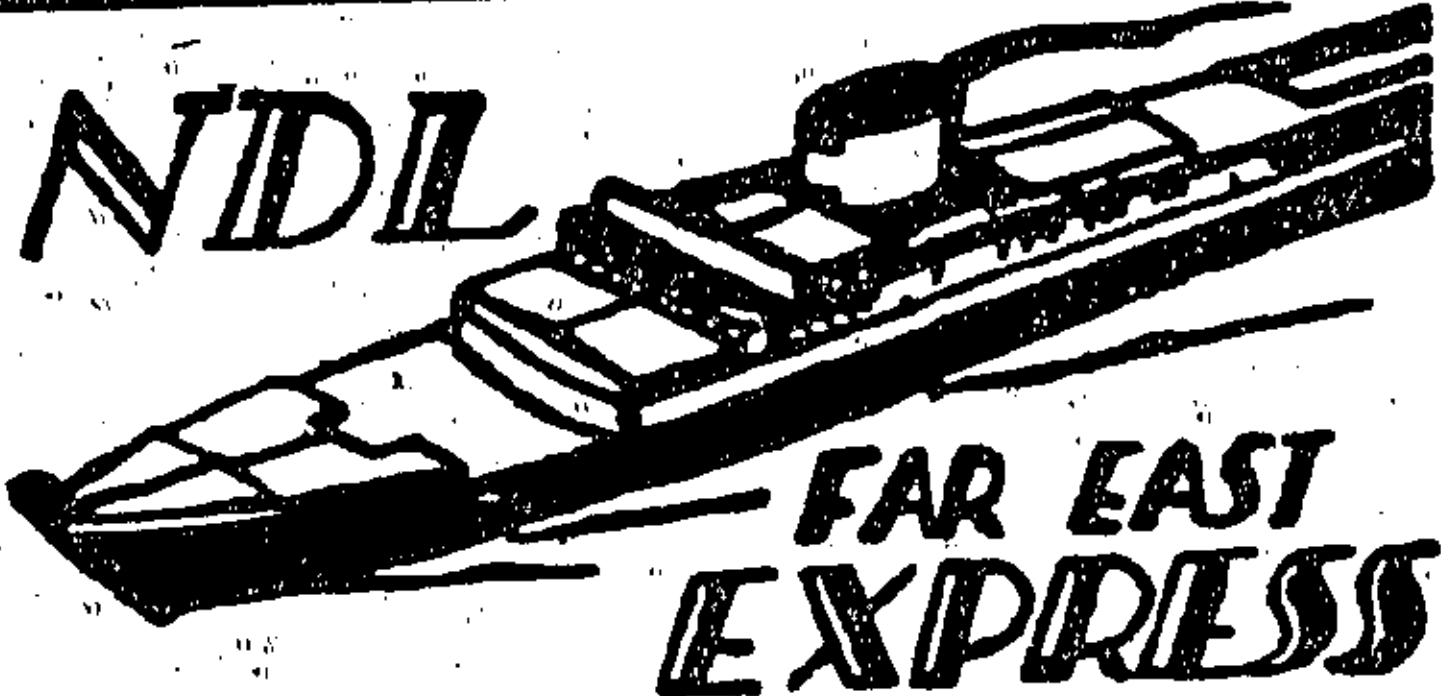
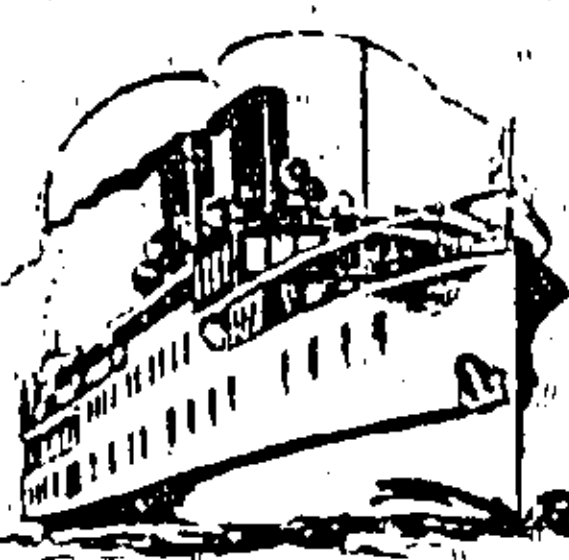
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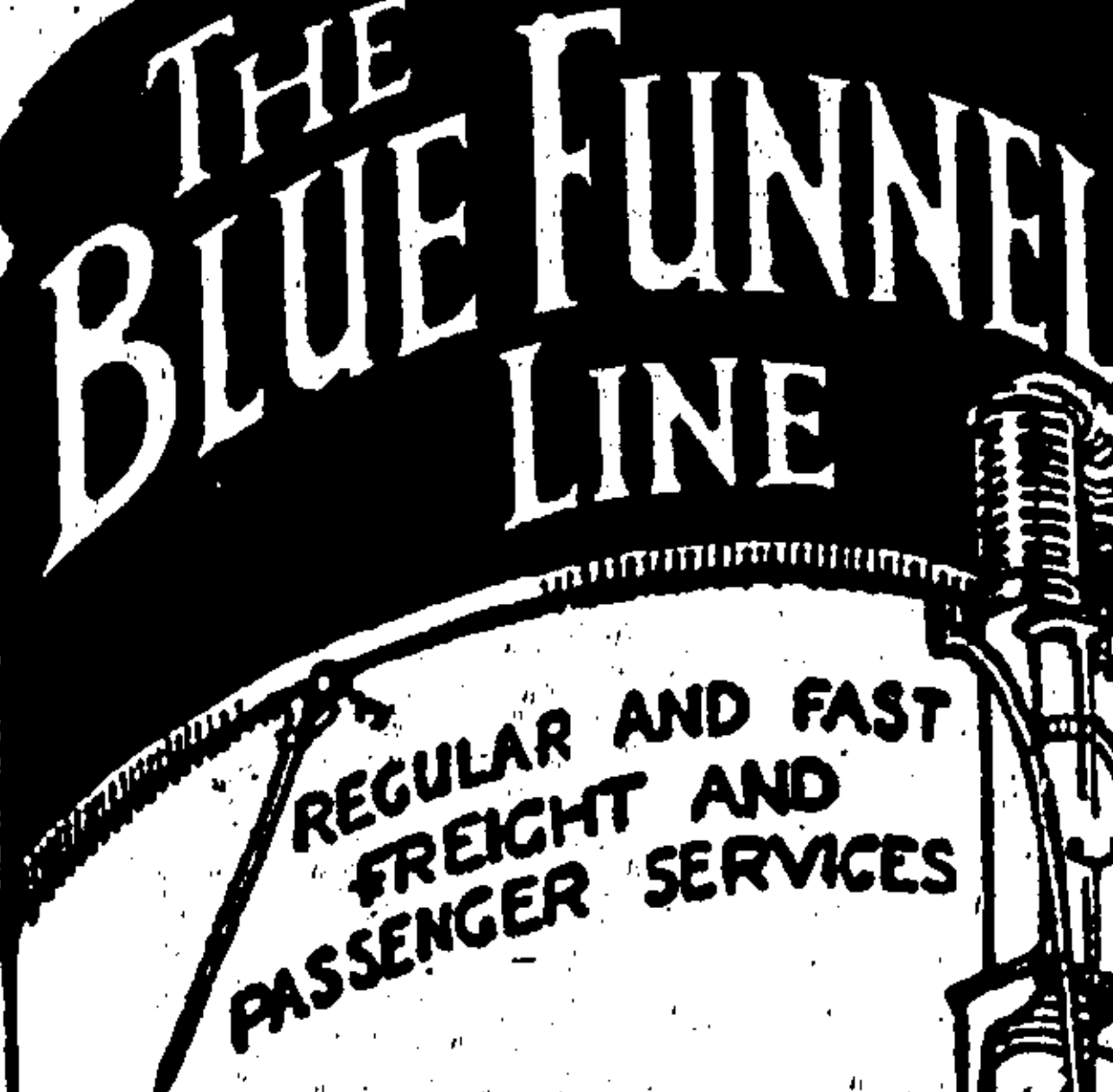


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	Potdam	Singapore, Penang, Belawan, Colombo	Mar. 30
Manila	Potdam	Manila	Mar. 30
Japan & Shanghai	Potdam	Kobe, Shanghai	Mar. 20
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Alber	Shanghai, Dairen, Tokyo	Mar. 18
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HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO.'S GOOD YEAR

Jubilee Bonus For Staff And Workmen

The recommendation of the Board of Directors to pay a bonus to staff and workmen was unanimously approved by shareholders at the fiftieth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., held in the P. & O. Building yesterday.

Those present were:—Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O. (Chairman of Directors), the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt., Mr. T. E. Pearce, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, the Hon. Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, C.B.E. (Directors) and Capt. F. L. Brown, O.B.E. (Acting Manager).

Shareholders present were Messrs. Ko, Koon-fan, E. E. Osmond, Lo Kai-wing, B. Wong Tape, J. Gardner, the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Messrs. A. McKellar, Wong Chi-po, Leung Shiu-lou, Leung Fattin, Chua Seng-choo, H. Gittins and Lo Yuk-tong.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH
The Acting Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

The nett profit, after providing for depreciation, is \$2,142,141.02 and with \$266,992.28 brought forward from the last account, we have the sum of \$2,409,133.28 for appropriation. On September 8, 1938, we paid an interim dividend of \$1 per share, which absorbed \$800,000 and with the balance we propose:

To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share absorbing \$900,000.00

To pay a cash bonus of \$0.75 per share absorbing \$450,000.00

To write off investments 147,276.21

To pay a jubilee bonus to Staff and workmen 43,976.22

To carry forward to next account 267,880.85

which I hope will meet with your approval.

The proposed dividend and bonus are 25 cents better than last year, and although we have not added to the reserve I feel sure you will approve the proposal to write off the fall in the value of our investments, which has now been shown in the balance sheet for five years.

Our investments are all in good local dividend paying stocks and we have received in dividends considerably more than the losses we now propose to write off.

The output from the Generating Station during 1938 was 64,510,226 units, an increase of over 5 million units, or 8.88% over 1937, and you will notice that the profit on working is \$259,624.10 more than last year.

SATISFACTORY RESULT
This satisfactory result has been obtained without any increase in our standard rates for current and in spite of an increase in the cost price of coal of 45% and of considerable expenses caused by a serious breakdown on No. 7 Turbine last April.

Gross Bad Debts at \$723.91 are the lowest on record. The loss on realization of investments was on the sale of "Star" Ferry shares. Full depreciation has been allowed for at \$724,377, an increase of \$43,479.

The expenditure on Capital Account this year has been \$1,546,388, three quarters of which was at the Generating Station.

The 15,000 kilowatt Turbo-Alternator was completed and the set put into operation in August, and I am glad to be able to tell you that it is giving very satisfactory results.

GOOD PROGRESS
By the end of the year good progress had been made with the erection of the new 100,000 lbs. per hour Stirling boiler which has since been put in commission.

Additional concrete bins for coal storage were constructed and a start made with improvements to the Circulating Water System.

As regards the distribution system, a rectifier was installed to deal with increased load on the Hongkong Tramways, additional switchgear and transformer were installed at the Dairy Farm Co.'s East Point Works, a new substation was built and equipped in Kennedy Road, the duplicate high tension feeder to Stanley was completed, and numerous small extensions were made.

Meters connected increased by 3,432 to 46,510. Part of this increase is doubtless due to the abnormal times through which we are passing; I anticipate however a falling off in the number of meters connected when normal times return.

JUBILEE MEETING
No doubt you will have noticed that this is our 50th annual general meeting; the 50 years of

the Company's existence has been a period of extraordinary progress in all branches in Science and Engineering and many changes have taken place in the machinery and plant which this Company has used, to provide Hongkong with its electricity supply; from a small beginning this Company has grown from strength to strength, and I think we may justly say that we now give as cheap and reliable a supply as any other supply company of our capacity, and at the same time are able to provide shareholders with a reasonable return to their investments.

I doubt if any of the original shareholders remain in the list of shareholders but I am happy to tell you that Mr. W. H. Wickham who was Chief Engineer and Manager from 1888 to 1910 and the Company's London Representative from 1910 until 1930 and so ably guided the Company through its early troubles is still enjoying a well earned retirement in England. We realise that the success of the Company is due in no small measure to the loyal efforts of our Agents, Staff and Workmen.

It is usual for the Chairman, on your and the Directors behalf, to thank the manager and his staff for their loyal services during the year, but this year, in addition to our thanks I feel sure you will approve the bonus which your Directors propose should be granted to the Staff in recognition of this special occasion.

I now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented for the year ended December 31, 1938 be adopted.

SECONDER
The Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, in seconding the proposal said:

In rising to second this the 50th annual report, I desire to congratulate all concerned on the excellent results which have once again been placed before us.

I have been a resident of this Colony for thirty years and during the whole of that time the stock of The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. has always been looked upon as one of the safest investments anyone could desire to have.

I am sure the public fully appreciates the reliable service which the Company provides for them and if there are people who are not quite satisfied with what they

TWO RECORDS AT COLLEGE SPORTS

Bourlin Champion Of St. Joseph's

Serge Bourlin won the Senior Championship at the 23rd annual athletic meeting of St. Joseph's College held at Carline Hill yesterday afternoon. The Junior Championship was annexed by Wong Kwok-bun and Midgits' title by F. Morales. Class 3A won the Inter-Class championship.

Some excellent sport was witnessed and in the 200 metres senior sprint Serge Bourlin clocked 24.4 seconds to beat Mar Wai-long's record of 25 seconds made in 1937.

Choy Hok-chung broke the record in the 1,500 metres junior event recording the time of 5 mins. 38.8 secs. as against K. Singh's time of 5 mins. 47 secs. in 1937.

V. Krysnoff putted the shot 42 ft. 7.5 ins. in the senior event to beat his own mark last year of 41 ft. 6 ins.

At the conclusion of the meet, Mr. B. J. B. Morahan, Supervisor of Physical Education, distributed the prizes. In a short speech, he advocated a standard system that schools in the Colony should adopt, whereby all the boys who could reach a certain standard in each event would score a point and thus have a feeling that they have contributed to the success of their class or team.

get for their money, I advise them to make enquiries as to the cost of a similar supply in other parts of the world.

I note with satisfaction that the Board are continuing the policy of providing ample depreciation, as I hold that this is essential in these days of rapid advance in Scientific and Engineering practice.

CORDIAL SUPPORT
I cordially support the Directors' proposal to write down our investments to their market value.

I am sure shareholders will join with me in appreciation of the proposed dividend and bonus and will heartily approve the grant of the proposed jubilee bonus to our Staff and Workmen on the occasion of the completion of the 50th year of the Company's operations.

It gives me great pleasure to second the proposal that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be approved.

DIRECTORS ELECTED
Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and Mr. T. E. Pearce were unanimously elected as Directors.

The re-election of Messrs. Linstead and Davis as auditors was also carried unanimously.

Kumaon Rifles Win H.K. Area Inter-Unit Cross Country Challenge Cup

THE TEAM OF THE 1ST KUMAON RIFLES WON THE HONGKONG AREA INTER-UNIT CROSS COUNTRY CHALLENGE CUP yesterday, the run being over a course of some five miles in Kowloon City, the start and finish at the Polo Ground, Boundary Street.

The 15 men of the 1st Kumaons' team were in running strength the best balanced of the seven competing teams. The Hongkong Regiment, H. K. S. R. A. winners last year, proved the only serious challengers, placing three men in the first ten to complete the course as against the Kumaons' four.

Man for man, however, the tana Rifles, 407, the 8th Heavy Kumaons proved superior and the R. A. 640, the 5th A. A. R. A. 688, scoring team of 12 were all home the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt., 722, among the first 33 runners to the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, 753, finish. There were, in all, 120 starters.

Ahmed Khan, of the H. K. Regt., H. K. S. R. A., was the individual winner, his fresh condition at the finish, his time over the course of 33 minutes 9 2/5 seconds, the quality of the field he literally ran away from, and his winning margin of a good 200 yards stamping him as one of the finest distance runners in the Far East.

The second man home, Sher Singh (No. 12353), of the Kumaon Rifles, collapsed at the finish. Another Kumaon Rifles runner, Sher Singh (No. 13159) was third. The first seven men to finish, all from the Indian Regiments, were well ahead of the rest of the field.

Pte. Manson of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, a runner of proven ability, was 8th, and Pte. Heather of the Middlesex Regiment was 9th. L/C. Sutherland (Royal Scots) 11th and Cpl. Ellis (Middlesex) 16th were the only other men of the home units among the first 30.

TEAM SCORES
The team scores are as follows: 1st Kumaons, 227; H. K. Regt., H. K. S. R. A., 386; 5th/6th Rajput

IRISH SOCCER TEAM TO MEET WALES

LONDON, Mar. 8 (Reuter).—The Irish soccer team to play Wales at Wrexham on March 15 will be as follows: Brem (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton); Butler (Blackpool); Broly (Millwall); MacMillan (Oxford); Weir (Clifton); Coltrane (Leeds U.); Stevenson (Everton); Millington (Oxford); Doherty (Manchester U.); and Brown (Birmingham).

Butler, Weir and Millington are new caps.

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan	Kutsang	10th Mar.
Straits	Tantulus	10th Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st March.	Pan American Airways plane	10th March
Australia and Manila	Taiiping	10th Mar.
Manila	Hulda Maersk	10th Mar.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 18th February)	Emp. of Japan	10th Mar.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	Kasima Maru	10th Mar.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	10th Mar.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	11th Mar.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.)—London date, 9th February.	Hakozaki Maru	11th Mar.
Calcutta and Straits	Yuensang	11th Mar.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 4th March	Imperial Airways plane	11th Mar.
Tientsin and Swatow	Yunnan	11th Mar.
Shanghai and Swatow	Taiyuan	11th Mar.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tilbadak	12th Mar.
Shanghai	Kaisyo Maru	13th Mar.
Shanghai	Glenogle	13th Mar.
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala	14th Mar.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 8th March.	Imperial Airways plane	15th March
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 18th Feb.).	Pres. Garfield	16th Mar.
Straits	Somali	16th Mar.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	16th Mar.
Straits and Europe via Suva (Papers etc.)—London date, 16th February and London date, 9th February.	Corfu	18th Mar.
Straits, Manila and London parcels—(London date, 2nd Feb.).	Ajax	17th Mar.
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	17th Mar.
Manila	Pleasantville	17th Mar.
Manila	M/V Victoria	18th Mar.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	21st Mar.

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FRIDAY		
Swatow	Kanchow	Fri. 10th. 8.30 AM
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 23rd March.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg.	9.30 AM
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Saloon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th April.	Kasima Maru	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.45 AM
Fort Bayard	Wing Wah	Ord. 10.30 AM
Haiphong	Cay	2.0 PM
Swatow and Foochow	Haitan	3.00 PM
Manila	Emp. of Japan	3.30 PM
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 31st March.	Conte Rosso	3.30 PM
	K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord.	5.30 PM
Air Mail for Indo-China by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"	Air France plane	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 7.00 PM
SATURDAY		
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 17th March.	Pan American Airways plane	Reg. 10th 5.00 PM
Papers only for Straits.	Talma	Ord. 11th 7.30 AM
Parcels and Papers only for Calcutta	Tyndareus	8.30 AM
Fort Bayard and Pakhol	Kutsang	11.00 AM
Formosa and Shanghai	Suiyang	Noon
Haiphong	Hakozaki Maru	1.30 PM
Amoy	Wingsang	3.00 PM
Manila	Shantung	3.30 PM
	Emp. of Britain	4.00 PM
Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Central and South America and (Papers only for Canada) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 30th March.	Pres. Cleveland	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Parcels 3.00 PM
		Reg. 4.15 PM
		Ord. 5.00 PM
SUNDAY		
Sandakan	Mausang	Sun. 12th. 8.30 AM
Foochow via Swatow	Holbow	9.00 AM
Amoy	Chungking	9.00 AM
Swatow	Mingsang	9.00 AM
MONDAY		
Swatow	Kiangchow	Mon. 13th. 8.30 AM
Japan	Yuensang	10.30 AM
	K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord.	5.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th March.	Imperial Airways plane	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 7.00 PM
Airmail for Malaya, Java, and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 20th March.	Imperial Airways plane	Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 5.30 PM

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